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Bremer report 'a flop' NDP Dumps Commissioner

By JUDY BELTON

Education commissioner John Bremer learned Monday he has been officially relieved of his duties as a roving agitator for educational change.

The NDP government appointed special commissioner said he will continue in his position until the end of February when he will present a paper on teacher education.

Bremer told reporters Monday that he and B.C. education minister Eileen Dailly shared the same ideals and aims for educational change but said they disagreed on the manner, or style, of direction.

The former commissioner will now receive one years' severance pay as well as holiday pay.

It is not known whether Bremer's job will be filled in the future but B.C. premier Dave Barrett assured members of committees already formed under Bremer's auspices that their present jobs will continue.

Bremer's dismissal followed a storm of controversy which arose after Premier Barrett said in an interview last Thursday night on CBC Vancouver's Hourglass program, that he felt Bremer was "a bit of a flop."

Barrett was responding to Victoria school trustee, Walter Donald's, observation the direction for educational change in B.C. appeared to be coming from Barrett's office rather than school boards, teacher associations or school boards.

When Donald called the commission "window dressing" Barrett commented "I think he's (Bremer) been a bit of a failure."

"We've already taken steps to recognize that approach has been a bit of a flop," Barrett added.

Bremer's "approach," in his post as commissioner, seems to be unclear to people at all levels of government, including Barrett.

Barrett said the government had "hoped that out of that kind of dialogue (which Bremer was hired to initiate) we'd get

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Bremer: pondering the future?

Model Parliament Erupts

British Columbia's seventh Model Parliament ended dramatically Sunday when a Liberal "member of parliament" accused NDP speaker Gordon Dowding of 'blackmail.'

Colin Hart accused Dowding, the Speaker in the real B.C. House, of using what he called "strongly pressure tactics" to force UVic's Model Parliament into accepting students from other B.C. universities next year.

Hart said Dowding's actions "could be almost called an illegal bribe" from his seat in the house.

The Model House reacted strongly and Hart soon withdrew his statement saying he had made it "in the heat of the moment," but not before a pushing match had broken out on the floor of the House.

The incident culminated a model-session plagued with constitutional problems.

The session was the seventh in the annual mock parliament staged by UVic students belonging to various political clubs recognized by the Alma Mater Society. There were 20 Liberal seats, 19 NDPs, 11 Conservatives and four Socreds.

Model Parliament was started by UVic students and for several years took place in Lansdowne College on the UVic campus. The students now sit in the B.C. Legislative Chambers for the three-day affair.

Members are elected to the mock parliament by UVic students in an election run by the student society. Students vote for the seats and the various parties fill them with whom they please.

The organizers of the event have been subjected to pressure by Dowding and other members of the NDP government to admit students from the other universities in B.C. and maybe even from community colleges.

Some organizers hinted to the Martlet that Model Parliament had been told it would be closed forever if the other students were not admitted.

In 1973 Dowding forced the "Older Boys' Parliament," a similar event for Protestant boys, to open its doors to girls and members of other faiths by making similar moves.

Some of the members objected to other students being let in on the basis that only a few UVic students would get into the Model Parliament. UVic is the smallest of B.C.'s three major universities.

But the event ran into more serious problems than nasty comments from the floor. Organizers had promised Dowding that members would not cross the floor of the House because students voted for parties not personalities.

That stipulation was hurriedly added to the mock parliament's constitution. But the Liberal government resigned Sunday and the new government, formed by the NDP, suspended the constitution and several members crossed the floor.

At that point the former Liberal Prime Minister, Louise Siew-Budd, her justice minister Michelle Carr, and two other members hurriedly resigned.

Several Liberal members accused MLA Jim Gorst, advising the NDP members, of masterminding the NDP take-over and suspension of the constitution.

The model parliamentarians took the exercise very seriously often becoming seriously entangled in procedural hassles. Such bills as a bill to legalize abortion and a bill to end the death

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Ex-president speaks

By STEPHEN KOERNER

Last Thursday Academic Affairs presented the former President of Peru, Dr. Hernando Belaude Terry, who spoke on Canadian-Latin American relations.

Belaunde, a liberal progressive, is the founder and leader of the party 'Action Popular' which came to power in 1963. Under his government Peru experienced a program of low-cost housing for the country's poorer elements and an increased road-construction campaign.

However the army took a dim view of his external policies of foreign co-operation and overthrew him in a coup d'etat in 1968, only a short time before his term was due to expire.

The ex-president described the coup as "rather unfortunate" saying on that particular night he had chosen to ignore the motto

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some kind of direction.''

Education Minister Eileen Dailly who told the legislature in October that Bremer was fulfilling his duties very successfully, seemed equally vague on the nature of her expectations from the Commissioner's position.

Dailly described Bremer's job on Friday as a ''very difficult'' one, in which Bremer was expected to ''get out and evaluate the system and listen to people.'' Dailly felt that Bremer's terms of reference were somewhat intangible.

DAILLY

A spokesman for the B.C. School-Trustees Association felt that Bremer had done a good job, but he said the trustees were never quite sure what Bremer's job was supposed to be.

Meanwhile, response to Barrett's comments on the effectiveness of Bremer's $28,000-a-year government post ran the gauntlet from severe criticism to adamant excuses.

David Anderson, B.C. Liberal leader, called for the resignation of both Bremer and Mrs. Dailly on the principle that by not doing so Mrs. Dailly would be evading responsibility for her Commissioner, at the same time wondering if Bremer's loss of status might not be a result of ''pressure from the left-wing NDP who may have considered Bremer too ''conservative''.

Socred Bill Bennett theorized that Bremer was being made a scapegoat for the failure of the politicians' education policy. Bennett observed that Education Minister Dailly had come under fire recently for her statements about school boards' fiscal responsibility and for her cuts on LIP grants for teachers' aides.

Walter Donald, Greater Victoria School Trustee, who was surprised by Barrett's response to his questions felt that Bremer was doing a good job, is probably being shafted, adding ''If Bremer leaves it will be a great loss'' to the education system. Donald blames education department officials whom he said are probably not giving Mrs. Dailly a clear picture of Bremer's work. The officials, he feels, are taking over more and more of the education system.

In support of this view, Mayor R.J. Pinder, of Powell River, who was school board chairman when Bremer announced a pilot project there for community control of the education system, six months ago, said Bremer had at that time pledged to spend at least one-fourth of his time in that area. Pinder says that Bremer has not kept his word.

Conversely, Bremer has recently come under attack of some students and faculty members of universities who felt that the Working Paper which was produced by the Bremer-headed University Governance Committee, sought only to preserve the status quo at B.C. universities, leaving the power in the hands of a few administrators.

At this level, the commission seemed unaware that the power lies with the Board of Governors, without whom the University Senate can make no decisions.

Professor Mike Doyle of UVic, past president of the Confederation of University Faculty Association of B. C. (CUFA) said his organization has been disappointed in the Commissions' approach to university government, and there is a general impression that ''whatever he has done so far is not substantial.''

The Education Minister also cited the public's attitude toward Bremer's method of going out and ''listening to the people'', as a possible explanation for the general disenchantment with Bremer. ''Many people are not quite used to that,'' she said ''They're used to being told 'these are the things the government is going to do, and here is the content.''

Barrett also described the public's reaction to educational change in general. He said, ''The perplexity of the problem is this...there are a lot of people out there who still think the strap is the answer.''

Pat Walsh, president of the B.C. School Trustees Association summed it up rather ironically. He said, ''One thing he (Bremer) has done is caused an awful lot of people in B.C. to talk about education.''

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Collective bargaining rights for Nova Scotia faculty?

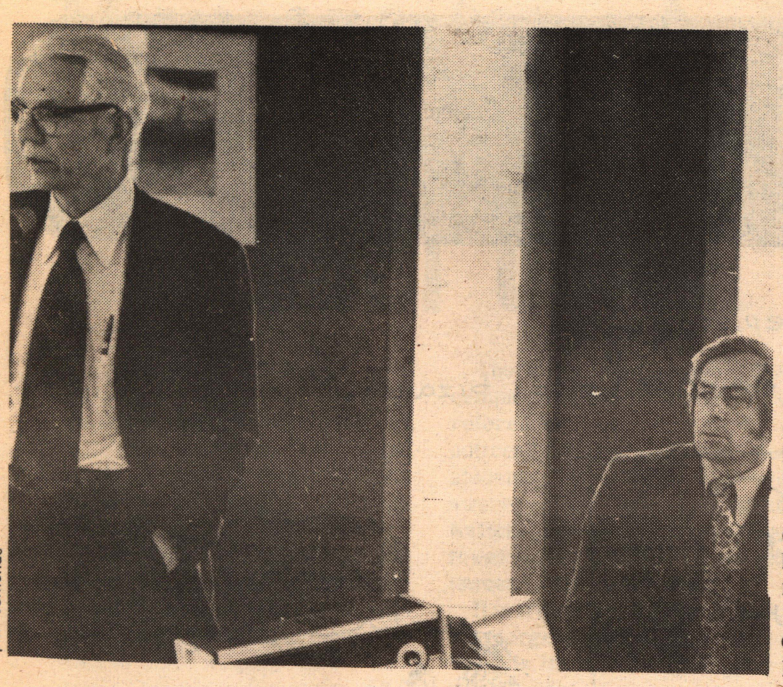
OTTAWA (CUP) -- The Canadian Union of Public Employees, has started an organizing drive at St. Mary's University in Nova Scotia to win collective bargaining rights for the 170 faculty members at the Halifax University.

CUPE, the largest Canadian union, already represents over six thousand university employees at 20 universities in Canada. Fred Tabachnick, a CUPE representative, told CUP the union had just finished organizing seventy professors at Bathurst College in New Brunswick and that they hoped to have the organizing drive solidly underway at St. Mary's by the end of January.

CUPE is also organizing some five hundred faculty members of the trade and technical schools in Newfoundland.

Final details of the Bathurst contract are to be released January 11.

University employees under CUPE's jurisdiction include faculty, maintenance workers and clerical workers. Only ten years old, CUPE has 165,000 members in the public service.



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Foulks & Ogden

Peace Speaker Sponsored by Martlet

On Monday, Jan. 14, the Martlet sponsored Dr. J.G. Foulks, chairman of the B.C. Committee for the World Congress of Peace Forces and Mr. Bert Ogden, a Peace Forces delegate to report on the 1973 Congress which was held between the 25-31 of October in Moscow.

Both men stressed the diversity of that assembly, the largest gathering of Peace Forces in history. The Congress attracted 3200 delegates from all over the world.

Organizations such as the World Council of Churches, UNESCO and the World Federalists were in attendence.

Canada was represented by 60 individuals, who were not so much "a cross-section of the country, rather than of the Canadian Peace movement."

During the course of the Congress a number of Committees were formed in order to study some of the problems facing global peace. These problems were felt to be the fate of struggles for national liberation, imperialism and the whole issue of social progress and human rights.

The purpose of the Congress was to educate the delegates of the absolute necessity of world peace. Upon their arrival home it is hoped they will disseminate this information and the means to impliment it at the lower levels of their communities.

Public hearing on education paper

By ELEANOR BOYLE

"Alternative approaches to university education" are needed in revising the Universities Act, stated UBC's director of Continuing Education Gordon Selman on Friday.

He spoke at the first in a series of public hearings on the Working Paper on University Governance at the University of Victoria.

The Working Paper was published by the Committee on University Governance appointed by Education Minister Eileen Dailly in September, 1973 and headed by John Bremer. In attendance at the hearing were Committee members Dr. Walter Young of UVic, Dr. Eileen Herridge of Vancouver City College, Dr. Kenji Okuda of Simon Fraser University and Dr. William Armstrong of the University of B.C.

Absent was Committee member Bonnie Long, a UBC student.

The Committee was appointed under the terms of reference to consider "the internal and external forms of university governance, with particular reference to the relationship between the universities and the provincial government, and to make recommendations to the Minister of Education for appropriate changes in the Universities Act," stated a government report.

Presented at the hearing was a brief from the UVic Faculty Association and one from B.C.'s Inter-University Committee on Continuing Education (IUCCE).

Dr. J.A. Burke of physics presented the Faculty Association's brief which agreed with the Working Paper in its desire to retain "bicameralism" in university governance, and in its desire for the formation of a Universities Council of B.C.

Discussed at the hearing were the brief's proposals concerning composition of university Boards of Governors, student roles on Faculties, and the role of the Universities Council.

Burke recommended student and faculty representation on the BOG while agreeing that the Board's power should not be increased. Of contention was whether student and faculty presence on the Board would somehow strengthen its position in the university.

Although students should be represented on Faculties, stated Burke, their numbers should not dominate that of faculty members. The Working Paper did not make this clear, he said, and "there are considerable dangers in the complete student domination made possible" by an unstated manner of student and faculty representation.

The proposed Universities Council should not be "merely another level of benign but cumbersome bureaucracy," stated Burke's report. "The Council should have carefully delimited powers," he stated, and "have no line-by-line budgetary control ... It should deal only with new Faculties or Schools, or major new programs."

Gordon Selman from UBC's Centre for Continuing Education presented the brief by the IUCCE. Changes are needed in the Universities Act, he said, to ensure the availability of university education to the increasing number of mature and part-time students now attending B.C. universities.

In his recommendations he stated that provision of evening credit courses at B.C. universities is "among the worst in Canada." More courses should be offered at night on both degree and non-degree bases, he said.

Also, persons living outside the university areas should be able to complete "at least a first degree in arts or science without attendance at one of the campuses."

B.C. students now enroll over 40,000 students annually on part-time or non-degree programs, stated Selman. With so large a number of students in these areas, we "recommend that all references to students in the Universities Act be so stated as to include both full and part-time students, whether degree or non-degree."

See story page one for the latest on the fate of the Bremer Committee -ed.

UVic To Train Polution Testers

A tower to be built at UVic in February will emit atmospheric pollution with the approval of the B.C. Pollution Control Branch.

Part of an anti-pollution program offered by the Branch, it will be used by observers to measure smoke emmission and the effects of various pollutants on the air.

Provincial meteorologist Peter Sagert says, "We're offering this course for reasons of economics." It costs about $30 to train an observer, but between $1,200 and $2,000 to do a source test and actually measure the discharge.

The course will be offered initially to workers in industry and later to members of the public. Persons trained in the program will be able to test industrial smokestacks to see if they meet Pollution Control Branch standards and are eligible for Branch permits.

Two practical classes to train students to read smoke of different intensities are planned, along with a theory class. The course will cost $25 per person and if there is sufficient demand it may be repeated every six months.

could this be UVic?

UVic Senate Committee Reviews Universities Act

A UVic Senate committee to review the B.C. Universities Act has come up with alternative proposals to those of John Bremer's Committee on University Governance.

The alternative proposals were discussed at a special Senate meeting on January 9th.

Evoking immediate response was the recommendation "that the title, office and concept of President be retired in favor of the title, office and concept of Vice-Chancellor." The Vice-Chancellor would be elected from the faculty by the Senate for a term of two to three years.

His power would be extremely limited by his short term of office, and his basic duty would be that of mediation. It was the feeling of committee members that a university leader should have the support of the faculty; hence his election by the Senate.

Two to three years is inadequate time for a Vice-Chancellor to build a network of power for himself within the university, and the committee envisages that the Senate shall instead have that power. Neither will this short term provide for continuity in the office of the Vice-Chancellor, but the Senate would provide this continuity in its membership and in its ideals.

A committee recommendation concerning the Board of Governors suggests "that the BOG consist of 11 voting members, comprised of the Chancellor, the Vice-Chancellor and nine members appointed by the Leiutenant-Governor-in-Council; and, as non-voting members, of two members of faculty elected by the Faculties jointly and two students elected by the student body."

This is in opposition to the Bremer commission working paper which proposes an increase in the number of governors to fifteen with no students or faculty on the Board.

Senate members agree that, as was proposed by the Bremer commission, a Universities Council of B.C. should be established as a liason between the universities and the Education Minister.

Whether the Council shall have power to allocate funds among B.C. universities or whether it shall act only in an advisory position to the Minister was a point of contention among Senate members.

Further committee proposals will be discussed at another special Senate meeting on January 23 after which the report will be redrafted for submission to the Committee on University Governance.

editorials

Good-bye John

We can't help but feel a little sorry for Mr. John Bremer, B.C.'s former "education commissioner," after all he'll soon be out pounding the streets looking for a new job. But neither can we help but believe the NDP government has made a courageous and wise decision in dumping him.

Mr. Bremer, no doubt, will soon have a new job. The authors of reports that try to say what everyone wants to hear usually do.

And the government has actually **listened** to what people concerned with real educational reforms have to say--or so it appears. Premier Barrett has handled the matter more honestly and courageously than he handled the dropping of Frank Calder last year; he said Bremer and his report were "a flop" and gave Mr. Bremer his walking papers. Simple.

John Bremer's report as you will remember, suggested no changes where changes were needed and instead elected to build a sort of "super board" to further confuse matters. The result would have been to change nothing in the present power set up of B.C.'s universities and make needed reform even more difficult.

We truly hope the Bremer Report will end up in the trash-bucket where it deserves to be. Without it the government will again be in a position to engage in some real, and needed, university reform.

As for Mr. Bremer, we wish him the best of luck but hope he'll end up in some business other than writing government education reports.

Faculty Freeloaders

Throughout all the clamorings against the admission of undesirable elements to the Pub in the SUB over the last few months, one group which **should** be excluded has been oddly ignored.

We at the Martlet believe the ommission of UVic's faculty from the SUB Pub's proscription list by the AMS Executive Council, Representative Assembly and the Student Union Building managerial staff could only have been a simple oversight. After all, when they excluded local nurses and Camosun College students from the Pub, they argued those students shouldn't be let in since they have no similar facilities which UVic students can attend. (That's right, check the RA minutes for October!) They chose to ignore the interests and problems we share with these groups and, worse, the positive help some -- especially the nurses -- have been to the AMS in such endeavours as Shinerama.

When these poor souls get their own pubs, the AMS decreed, then they will be allowed into ours. Only, of course, if they let us enter theirs first!

But the powers that be have forgotten -- or something -- to exclude faculty members. Seriously. The faculty pays no fee to our student society (and many contribute **nothing** at all to UVic students). Worse still, they have facilities of their own in which students are definitely **not** welcome.

The Faculty Club, located in the north-west corner of the campus, is closed to students. A student can only get in if he (or she) can persuade a club member to **sign** him in! Only one student per member is allowed, needless to say.

We wonder what percentage of UVic students have ever been inside the faculty club.

Even the most "liberal" of faculty members -- easily distinguished by their frequent appearance in the student-run Pub -- are far from easy to persuade to let a student into the caviar and whiskey world of the Faculty Club. (A slight exaggeration perhaps.)

So there you have it. While the very groups that should be in the Pub are out in the cold, so to speak, the Faculty Freeloaders are drinking it up at the students' expense. And all the while they won't let students into their precious Faculty Club for love nor money -- at least not money...

Surely the ommission must be an accident on the part of our highly-principled student governors. If not, what could their motives be in accepting this kind of treatment?

One reason which comes to mind is apply-polishing -- for lack of a less gentle term. Or could it be the influence of our SUB general manager who is, for some incomprehensible reason, a Faculty Club member? No. It must be oversight.

We suggest this situation be corrected at once. The RA and exec should, if only to prove they are principled and not childishly elitist, restrict faculty entrance to the SUB Pub to the same basis as student admission to the Faculty Club is controlled.

It would only need to last until the Faculty Club sees fit to allow us into their facilities on the same basis we allow them into ours. And with our manager a member of that club, we're sure it wouldn't take them long to see the light.

letters

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"students concerned"

Editor:

As students of this University, we are very concerned about the progress of the proposed SUB expansion. The present crowded facilities and the expected future growth of the University are, in themselves, more than adequate reasons for enlarging the existing building.

The actions of John Abbott and Steve Koerner and their claims to represent the interests of students are, in our opinion, ridiculous. A prime example of their irresponsibility is the fact that they walked out of Sunday's RA meeting and thereby refused to discuss the proposed financing arrangements for the expansion of the SUB. Consequently, the RA WAS WITHOUT A QUORUM AND WAS FORCED TO HOLD ANOTHER MEETING TO DISCUSS THE MATTER. All we can say is, SUB expansion has long been needed - let's get on with it!

"Concerned Students"

no joke?

Editor:

Regarding the opinion of Managing Editor Greg Middleton that Mike Nightengale or Chuck Dilba running for President of the A.M.S. would be a joke:

Mike and I are still members of the Activities Council, however we are no longer on the R.A. As members of Activities, we are responsible for hiring bands in the SubPub, Noon hour shows, AMS dances, dealing with promoters and entertainment agents and setting up concert engagements at UVic; all we might note, on the approval of the Activities Coordinator and the Business Manager.

You can see that in the past year, UVic has had many high quality, reasonably priced events in a town considered "the last stop on the backwoods circuit." Activities has brought in Sonny Terry and Brownie McGee, Victoria, Mose Allison, Murray MacLaughlin, Bruce Cockburn, Paul Horn and Ravi Shankar to a campus that averages two concerts a year.

Our scope is limited by the size of our concert halls but we have managed to bring respected entertainers at low cost. Though the budget Activities received was low in relation to other schools, we have worked on a cash flow basis and involved well over six thousand people, total, in Activities. We have had a loss, but it was a forecast loss, however we have had nothing as badly conceived, promoted and run as the Buckley-Lerner debate.

Activities has been plagued by distrust by the Administration by previous years' endeavours but has restored respect by better planning, security and execution of this year's undertakings.

Certainly the methods employed by us are unorthodox and, at UVc, unorthodoxy means one is vulnerable to contempt. In Mr. Middleton's case, he feels that Mike and I are not to be taken seriously. However, I feel he is not justified in his "joke candidate" analysis if he is to review the responsibilities which we undertook and implemented.

I am not running for President, but I do support Mike Nightengale because of his value as an associate on the Activities Council.

Chuck Dilba

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Model Parliament: an editorial

Model Parliament is over for another year. Back to the nursery, kiddies.

Most of the Martlet staff, admittedly getting almost as much of a rush sitting in the Press Gallery as the model-members were getting from sitting in the Legislative Chambers, observed UVic's three-day mock parliament. We watched students, some of them more than 30 years old, **pretending** to be lawmakers, **pretending** to pass laws and **really** getting mad at each other.

If Model Parliament proved one thing, it proved that youth isn't the hope of the world. Social Credits, NDPs, Retrogressive Preservatives (or whatever they call themselves), and Liberals, all echoed the same inane lines as their elders. And in the same inane manner. We wonder what would happen if they ever got their party tracts mixed up?

But at least their elders are doing it for real power. Model parliamentarians come just as near to real heart attacks, but they don't have any power to show for it. (They'd do better on the RA, but then, most of them **are** on the RA!)

Supporters of Model Parliament argue that it teaches young people parliamentary procedure and shows them the workings of power. Oh? We suggest that young people interested in proceedure join the toastmasters club, or something to that effect, or perhaps buy a copy of Robert's Rules of Order and read a chapter every night.

As for how power works, Model Parliaments serve to confuse rather then enlighten. It's not on the floors of houses of parliament where real power lies, but in the back halls where lobbying goes on and in the offices of major corporations.

The only **good** excuse for Model Parliament is that it's not bad theatre and it's free. But then how long can one watch Simon Gibson pretending he's Bill Bennett, Mark Shaw playing John Diefenbaker, David Hobson as David Lewis or who-knows-who as who-knows-what without gagging.

Someone said this might be the last Model Parliament ever because of what Colin Hart said about Gordon Dowding. Now, we'd hate to see Colin get stuck for saying what is essentially true--especially when he withdrew it--but perhaps Mr. Dowding could use this year's events to put Model Parliament out of its misery once and for all.

Canadian response to Chilean refugees pitiful

TORONTO(CUP)--A Toronto researcher for the United Church of Canada who recently participated in talks with Mitchell Sharp and Immigration Minister Ron Andras, says that Canada's treatment of Chilean refugees is "disillusioning and inhumane."

John Foster was a member of a multi-denominational delegation which went to Ottawa to seek better and speedier treatment of applications from Chilean refugees.

He partly blamed the poorly organized Canadian embassy in Santiago for the relatively small number of refugees admitted to Canada so far.

"The Canadian officials in Chile were caught with their pants down in this crisis," Foster said.

"The Canadian officials in Chile were inadequate. They were not comparable in size to embassies of smaller countries.

Foster also said the number of refugees taken by Canada has been pitifully low. "Four months after the coup there are less than 100 in the country."

"The Swedes have taken the most, the French come next, followed by the Swiss. Even Honduras has taken more people than Canada."

Foster was skeptical about the publicity over a plane load of about 160 refugees due to arrive in Canada next Saturday.

It is, he says, "a sizeable improvement. But it still leaves two thirds (of the applicants) waiting".

A government spokesman indicated there have been 368 visas granted and 125 applications rejected.

Almost 3,000 applications for entry into Canada were received.

"I fear that the government will make a show of this planeload and that will be it," Foster said.

One of the reasons for the delay in processing applications is the method used by the Canadian Immigration officials for screening applicants.

The point system, which requires the applicant to score 50 out of 100 on an assessment of qualifications and abilities has so far been used.

However, this system can be waived by granting the applicant refugee status, thereby by-passing the regular immigration procedures.

"Andras told us on December 3rd that the point system was being waived," Foster said. But to the best of his knowledge this has not been the case.

Foster divided the refugees into four groups, and expressed great concern for those in hiding and those registered with the United Nations.

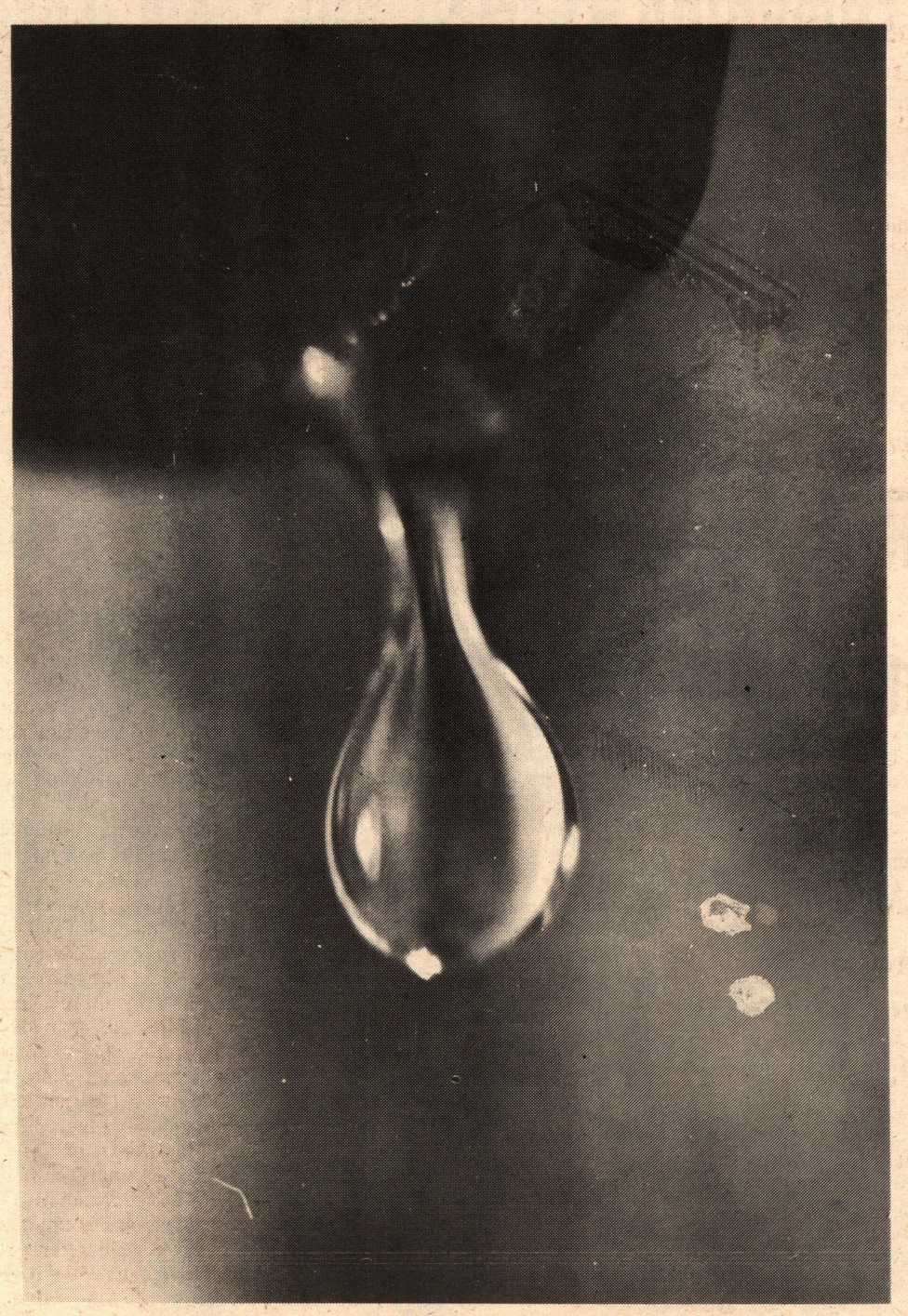
Those registered with the UN as refugees are by definition not Chilean. They are already refugees from other South American countries such as Bolivia, Uruguay, and Brazil.

Foster was unsympathetic to fears that Canada would be flooded with left wing agitators.

"People who cheered the junta are now trying to get out. They want better lives in Canada.

"The situation is sufficiently bad as to encourage people not even connected with the former government to want to leave."

"The Canadian government has exercised no leadership," Foster argued.



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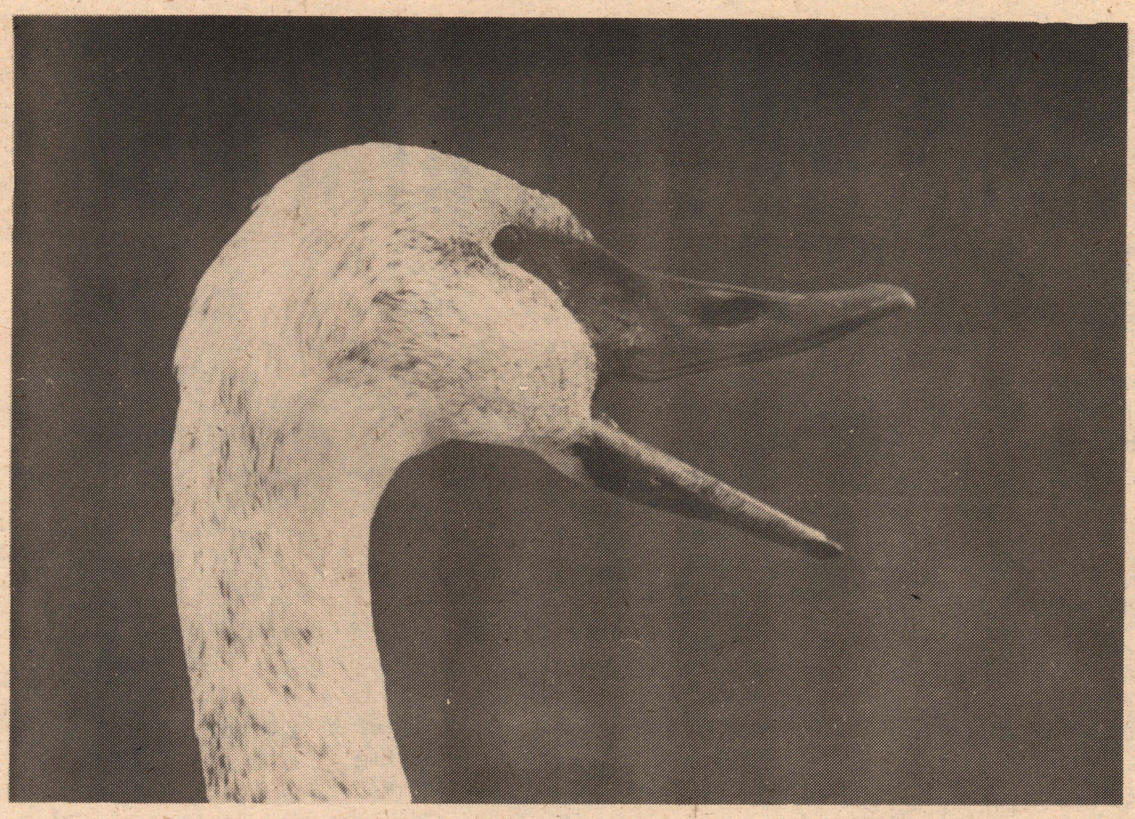

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Law school hopefully underway by September

By JOHN HUMPHRIES

"What is happening with the Law School."

This is the sixty four thousand dollar question that seems to occupy the minds of would be Perry Masons on campus and perhaps a few others.

Well, Perry, Della, Paul and Hamilton: nobody at this point in time seems to know, or if they do aren't prepared to say. Dean Dewey's office promises something for next week, so hopefully by then you'll have more fact than commercial.

According to the counselling office the only new thing is that the Dean of the would-be Law School will be chosen within the next six weeks; the only thing old is that all applicants will be required to submit the results of the "Law Schools Admissions Test" (LSAT), which is normal procedure.

Officially the Law school is to be in operation by September, but an educated source thinks that this would be an almost impossible task, unless of course the Dean is prepared to take over immediately and can obtain the staff at this late date.

As for the Law Library it will be integrated with the rest of the books, so if you are confused now watch out.

All may appear to be quiet but September draws closer, thus time alone may make the decision and hopefully it will be the right one.

Derk Wynand's poetry evokes a reaction

By YVONNE LORD

Much of Derk's poetry seemed a little flat to me.

This was especially true of his older works. A collection of his poetry, Locus, contains much that is apathetic, or is simply the same old cliche poetry one can read in any cheap collection.

The job of any artist, be they a painter, musician or poet is to evoke some sort of reaction on the part of the person experiencing the work of art. Even bad art is better than blah art. On the whole, the poetry in Locus was mediocre, although at least two were outstanding.

In later works, he has developed a format consisting of two long lines per stanza, which lends itself to very moving and rhythmical work. In 'Ursula', the words tumble over each other, demanding to be read quickly, not in a rush, but fast, as though to get the whole thing out in a single breath. It seems to add to the poems it is used in, rather than to detract from them.

He uses images in a way that transcends imagery. Perhaps a better label, if one is needed, would be impressionism. I'm not sure that 'impressionism' is an accepted school of poetry, but if it isn't it should be.

His most recent project has been a series of poems, united by a common motif...snow. He calls them Snowscapes, and with each new one, presents another impression, all using the image of snow. He maneuvers snow until it's like plastic to be moulded by his pen.

Nova Scotia grass-roots campaign carried out from Toronto

Nova Scotia newspapers have been receiving a flood of letters condemning a provincial government proposal to set up a board to screen land purchases by non-residents.

The letters flailed the government's suggested Land Review Board as a threat "to western democracy as we know it," an "insidious challenge" to individual freedom in Canada, inspired by rabid nationalists "seeing imaginary Vikings raiding the shores of Chedabucto Bay."

All Nova Scotia dailies and most of the weeklies have carried the outraged missives, giving the impression of a massive grass-roots protest campaign against the suggested legislation.

However, the credibility of the campaign seems to have suffered a bit with the revelation by the Halifax weekly The Fourth Estate that the letters have all been written by a Toronto land speculator doing a whopping business in Nova Scotia.

The one-man protest movement, Marvin Lee, of 140 Erskine Ave. in Toronto, is vice-president of Canadian Estate Land Corporation. Under the name of this company, of Lee's partner Solomon Mednick, and of their company, Medlee Ltd., massive buying and selling of Nova Scotia land to non-residents has taken and is taking place. Lee describes himself as a developer who has interests in several provinces.

The effect of Lee's publicity drive is not yet clear; however, The Fourth Estate reports that "indications are at the moment that the new bill, if it ever comes before the Legislature, will be considerably watered down."

Day care centre recieves grant

UVic's day care centre has received a much-needed grant from the provincial Department of Human Resources in the sum of $2,500. The money will be used to buy equipment for the Centre.

According to Jean Dahl of Human Resources, the money was needed because of the existence of the two-year-old program at the Centre. Government regulations state that there must be more staff per child for two-year-olds than for threes and fours. With B.C.'s minimum wage now at $2.25, going to $2.50 within six months, the Centre's fees had to be raised from $100 per month per child to $125 per month per child.

The government has also raised its subsidization rate to individual parents to pay the higher fees.

Bike shop to be housed in Campus Services building

UVic administration seems to be "favourably impressed with the ideas of a student radio and bike repair shop," to be implemented next year, said AMS Campus Development Co-ordinator Kirk Patterson Monday.

Dean of Administration Trevor Matthews was approached for suggestions of space allocation for the projects, and he and Patterson came up with a number of possibilities.

Patterson feels that the bike repair shop should be located in the Campus Services building since the building was originally intended to house student financial activities.

The radio cannot be set up on any permanent basis until SUB expansion is completed, believes Patterson, because the room is just not available now.

It looks likely that the administration will give the radio financial support, said Patterson, although we'll probably have to go the bike shop on our own.

After Christmas, university-wide polls will be set up to determine extent of student support and opposition to both the radio station and the bike shop on campus.

RA sends four members flying

The UVic Alma Mater Society's Representative Assembly voted Sunday to send four of their members to a conference in Kelowna.

Ignoring a light-hearted motion by one member to make the delegates hitch-hike, the RA voted to send their reps by the "cheapest method of public transportation available."

Treasurer David Clode suggested that bus travel was the cheapest method available. However, A.M.S. President Linda Flavelle suggested air travel for the delegates but said they should decide it amongst themselves.

Flavelle's suggestion was accepted by the assembly and the delegates have since decided to fly to Kelowna.

A motion was passed to adjust the dates for election of student senators to allow them to gain experience in the least busy part of the year, the spring, and to use this experience in the fall when the most important decisions are made. Accordingly, there will be a six month term from Oct. 1974 to Feb. 1975, followed by annual terms beginning in February rather than October.

Several matters were also discussed at the meeting which took place on Sunday evening in the S.U.B.

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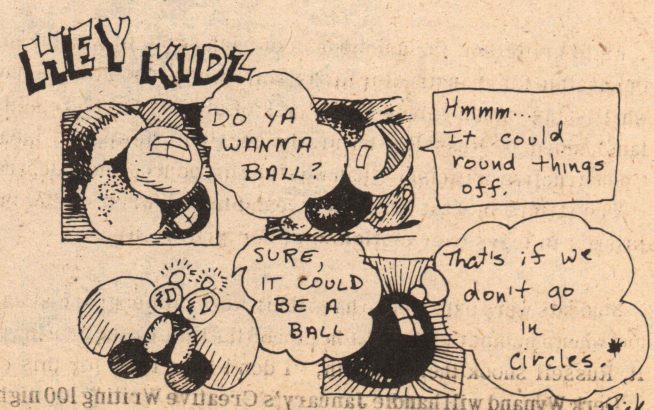

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THURSDAY

Pacific Wind Quintet plays at Open Space, 510 Fort St., 8:00 p.m., only $1.00.

FRIDAY

Letraset plugs their products for the Education people in the Curriculum Library with a continuous display of educational uses of the product. The display runs from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Women's Action Group will meet in Lansdowne 109 at 12:30 p.m.

Co-ed volleyball in the UVic gym. 7:30 p.m.

CINECENTA presents comedy classics with Mae West in I'M NO ANGEL, W.C. Fields in THE BANK DICK and the Marx Brothers in MONKEY BUSINESS, also Flash Gordon No. 3. Starts at 7:15 p.m. in Mac 144.

The Gallery Players present two Canadian pieces, CALL MY PEOPLE HOME by Dorothy Livesay and ONE SPRING MORNING by Cherie Stewart at the Art Gallery, 1040 Moss Street at 8:30 p.m., also on Saturday night.

SATURDAY

Soccer, UVic Vikings tangle with Cosmopolitan Royals in first round cup play at Heywood Park at 2:15 p.m.

CINECENTA, comedy again tonight at 7:15 p.m.

TUESDAY

George Zukerman, bassoonist, lecture recital, wit and raconteur plays in Mac 144 at 4:30 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TOM NORTHCOTT will be playing at the Commons Block in a couple of weeks.

Professor John Ivor Smith Sculptor from Sir George Williams University will be visiting the Department of Visual Arts during the week of January 21-25. During this time he will be discussing, in particular, his interest in techniques for enlarging sculpture. Those interested in meeting Professor Smith are urged to get in touch with the Department of Visual Arts.

The UVic JUDO CLUB resuming activities this term The club meets on Sundays and Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. in 'P Hut. Instructor is Peter Lam Further information can be gotten at meetings.

100 C

This is the first column of a new series by Martlet staffer Eleanor Boyle. The title is Ms. Boyle's own, figure it out yourself. The weekly column will deal with whatever the author pleases.

Continuing Education and Lawrence Russell don't get along.

In Russell's section of Creative Writing 100 in the September '73 Continuing Education program, the class dwindled "from about 11 students to 4 students in just 4 weeks," reported one dropout.

Most of the dropouts were women who'd come to night school in their innocence and healthy need for socialization.

The attrition rate in these night school writing classes is usually high anyway, for students find that having something to say is necessary to having something to write about.

Russell chases them away quickly, though.

"He doesn't like little old ladies," said one knowledgeable bystander.

Since Russell himself is no 25, "little old ladies" are those over 40.

"Nor does he like," continued the bystander, "the university, poetry of any kind, fiction, or drama that isn't avant-garde or doesn't utilize quadrophonic sound."

Russell is somewhat of a purist, with no patience for students who come to class to pat themselves on the back. Not all of them expected "bouquets", as Russell put it, though. Said one, "I expected criticism, but it seemed more like an encouter session than anything."

All Creative Writing classes are sometimes painful to a purist, who must sit through, not only bad fiction and drama but (horrors) bad poetry, too often "the garbage heap of emctions," as one instructor put it.

As to criticism, the uniqueness of each piece of writing makes it impossible for an instructor to say which words should be there, and in what syntax; much easier is the task of picking out bad points. This fact, added to Russell's naturally negative viewpoint, meant less "constructive criticism" than what one dropout called "destructive."

The failure of what class was established when one woman was brought to tears over criticism of her writing style.

Students were expected to have their work mimeographed each week and when a number of them hadn't found the time or inclination to hop to it, Russell shook them up with, "I don't have time for this crap."

Derk Wynand will handle January's Creative Writing 100 night school course. Whether Russell's class comes back for more punishment remains to be seen.

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Dunsinane

by Birnam Wood

Canadians battle Internationals

Last term I mentioned the trend towards Canadian controlled labor nions in Port Alberni. But Port isn't the only place nationalist anadian unions are happening.

All across Canada labor is reacting against large, and often corrupt, merican unions happily taking Canadian union dues off to the States nd giving little or nothing in return.

American controlled "international" unions have been known, as the lberni columns pointed out, to co-operate with management to eep out Canadian unions. The attitude of American unions seems to be, ntrely too much of the time, that their Canadian branches are simply Union Due Mines."

But Canadian workers are forming unions independent of the ternationals, and what's more they're winniig. They're winning gainst a very stacked deck: powerful management and powerful ternationals working together to keep out international unions. And in .C., a provincial government up to its eyeballs in International Union ollars to boot.

Take for example the battle to throw out the International eelworkers in Trail. Or the attempt by Canadian members of the ternational Woodworkers of America, one of the internationals ore representative of its Canadian workers, to move its headquarters Vancouver since there are more Canadian than American IWA embers. Needless to say, the American woodworkers are fighting oth and nail to keep headquarters on "home soil".

Details of just how hard the fight can get came to me recently from a riend employed by Bell Copper in Granisle B.C. The mine was eprrsented by the United Steelworkers of America, an organization hich functions in a manner that would have made Otto von Bismark lush. The mine workers decided they wanted to oust Steel and replace t with the more representative Canadian union, the Canadian ssociation of Industrial Mechanical and Allied Workers (CAIMAW).

CAIMAW was more popular with the miners and didn't look like ey'd have too much trouble getting certified. That is until the ompany, Steel and the B.C. Government decided to put a stop to it.

Steel propogandized and stalled for three months before a vote could e held. After years of neglect the mine was suddenly inundated with ighly-paid Steel representatives from the U.S., Eastern Canada and ancouver. But the miners weren't impressed: when 70 per cent had gned with CAIMAW in July 1973 the Labor Relations Board dered a vote.

My friend writes: "Due to a challenge of the vote by a Steel 'rep' the allot box was sealed and the votes were never counted." Steel und out that 20 office workers, all of them monthly salaried, none of em members of the bargaining unit and **none** of them paying union ues, hadn't voted in the July vote. So they protested their exclusion. hey made the protest in the last hour of the vote even though the voters st had been posted a week before the ballots were taken. Perhaps eel didn't notice...

Then B.C.'s worker-oriented NDP government jumped into the act. he Labor Relations Board ordered the ballot boxes sealed because of eel's technicality!

An interesting note: shortly before the granisle vote the Labor oard received a new addition. His name is Angus McDonald and, ot surprisingly, he was a long-time veteran of the United eelworkers. McDonald, needless to say, was appointed by the NDP overnment.

"Thus," continues my correspondent, "Steel secured another onth's dues, amounting to over $1,000, some of which is sent to ittsburg each month."

When the vote finally came, however, "Steel and its Canadian unkies got the shitkicking they deserved..."

The result of the vote was 102 for CAIMAW, 32 for the Steelworkers America.

But the major battles are not in mills and mines like Granisle where ly a few hundred workers are involved, but in places like Trail where ousands of workingmen are looking seriously at Canadian Unions.

And they'll be up against the combined might of the companies, nerican unions and the international-dominated NDP. All the stops ll be pulled to keep the more-radical Canadian unions from gaining rtification. (After all, one of Steel's main points in attacking IMAW at Granisle was that they are "dominated" by Communists! Really?)

But in the end they'll probably win -- that's what really scares the es of Steel and the Labor Relations Board.

And what's the importance of this to a bunch of university students at quiet Island university? As my friend in Granisle puts it: verything." A lot more university students are going to end up rking in mills, mines and factories than will end up in white collars ping dry martinis.

"A few years ago I was a university student," he says, "now I work in nine."

"Twenty years of schoolin'!"

Student newspaper charged with blasphemy

HALIFAX (CUP) -- The Halifax City Police and the Nova Scotia Human Rights Commission are investigating the Dalhousie Gazette here for possible libel and blasphemy.

The investigation centres around an article in their Christmas issue, "**The Miracle Worker**" which is a parody on the birth of Christ.

The Gazette co-editor, Ken McDougall, said he was notified Monday afternoon (Jan. 7) by a member of the city morality and drug squad that they were being investigated. A Seargent Art Wyatt called, informing them of investigation and wanting to know who the author and publisher were. The story was published under a nom-de-plume.

The paper has refused to reveal the name of the author and says they will continue to do so.

The Nova Scotia Human Rights Commission is investigating the matter following a complaint from the Advocate General of the Roman Catholic Church. The Church claims that the article discriminates against members of their faith.

The Halifax police refuse to reveal who registered the complaint wiih them.

Mike Gardner, president of the Dalhousie Students Union, publisher of the Gazette, claims that there is as much discrimination in regards to the application of the law, and on that ground, says he will support the Gazette.

He does, however, feel that an apology might appease those offended by the article and says "it might be worth a candle to apologize.

The Halifax morality squad was not available for comment.

Monkeys killed to make pets

For every cute little monkey that you see in the pet store about 3 or 4 others were killed.

To catch any one of the various different kinds of South American monkeys sold in the pet stores hunters go into the jungle with small caliber rifles. They look for females that are still carrying young ones on their back. The mothers are shot and if the babies are not killed in the fall they are thrown into a crate and shipped to an exporter.

About a third of the animals captured for pets don't survive to become pets.

If they survive the first year of captivity they are cuddly enjoyable little things, until they reach sexual maturity. Most animals taken out of the wild become difficult if not impossible to manage when they become adults.

Frequently they become vicious and have to be destroyed.

Executive election commentary

By GREG MIDDLETON

The executive elections are nearing and the list of candidates for the top AMS positions is narrowing.

Chuck Dilba has announced that he is not running and has thrown any support he though he might have had behind Mike Nightengale. In a letter to the editor that appears in this week's paper, Dilba accuses this writer of calling Nightengale a 'joke candidate'. Dilba lists Nightengale's accomplishments, which include what he calls a 'forecast loss' on Activities. (That forecast loss was almost three thousand dollars of student money.) The so-called successful concert series was partially subsidized by some very profitable dances and still lost three thousand dollars.

Kirk Patterson, considered by many of the knowledgeable political figures around the SUB as a realistic candidate has only one possible opponent, and it isn't John Abbott, whose political background includes being a Model Parliament groupie (he wasn't even in it).

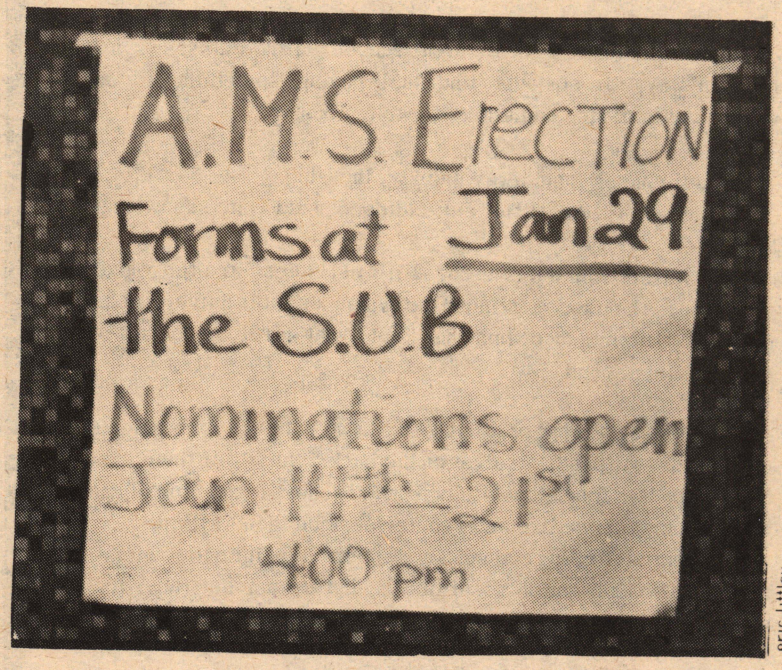
The usual AMS political hacks like Alex Hart and Mark Shaw are running for the lesser positions. It is beginning to look like we might be better off electing a field of potatoes.

Perhaps now is the time we should consider other methods of running the student society. There have been suggestions that since democracy has obviously failed it is time we looked for a more efficient system.

An oligarchy might be the answer might well be the answer. We could select people who have the talent and the appropriate skills to run the building and all the services and pay them a decent wage so that they would be able to take a couple of courses without any financial hassle.

This might not only provide a better, more efficient form of government but I think it would be cheaper as well. All the money we would save on elections, combined with the money we are wasting through general stupidity now would more than pay professional student politicians.

It's worth trying, the present system seems to be a complete failure.



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Memorial service for Wells

Memorial Services for the late Whitney Oliver Wells who passed away suddenly while on holidays, and previous to his passing was in residence, a first year student in Arts and Science, were held in the McCaw Funeral Chapel at Lloydminster, Alberta, January 5, 1974, Reverend Mary Thomas of Grace United Church officiating. Internment followed in the Lloydminster City Cemetery.

The Wells family wish to thank the staff and all Whitney's friends for their sympathy and kindness, and the Alma Mater Society for the lovely flowers. Also all donations in lieu of flowers to the Mentally Retarded.

Oil companies are profiteering

(CPS-CUP) -- In the wake of a world wide energy crisis the major American oil companies have made some of the biggest profit increases in the oil industry's history.

According to US Oil Week, Gulf, Exxon, and Mobil reported third quarter or July-September net incomes that were 91, 80, and 64 per cent respectively, above the gains of last year. Ten othermajor oil companies reported an average increase in profit of 51 per cent above the third quarter last year.

In remarks prepared for the Congressional Record last week, Representative Michael Harrington (D. - Mass.) compared the oil companies to the trusts of the 19th century and warned they will continue to hold their monopoly until they are required to surrender it.

Harrington said it is time to break up major oil companies through anti-trust action and called for the creation of a US Fuels Corporation similar to the Tenessee Valley Authority, to develop domestic energy sources.

On the other hand, however, a recent editorial in the Wall Street Journal assured the oil companies they need not be embarassed about their high earnings, because the oil companies' good fortune is the nation's.

Pre. Les Aspin, (D-Wisc.) had another explanation for the oil industry's runaway profits. Aspin reported to the House last week the US has been exporting fuel oil to other countries principally Denmark and Panama, in the amount of 53 million gallons by the end of this year.

The amount exported was a 284 per cent increase over the fuel exports of last year and the price of the exports increases by 145 per cent over the average price per barrel last year, Aspin said.

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Rick "Hoot" Gibson 74
To think, that I'm actually paying for this stuff!
RIGHT ON MAN! I KNOW WHAT YA MEAN!
SAY, Do Ya know what I mean?
GOOD GRIEF

Quid Rides

by Walter Fleder

Summer jobs already?

According to the authorities, now is the time to be looking for a summer job. But how many of us are?

Students are like vagrants, bums and hippies. Since they only work once in a while, the only jobs they get are the ones no-one else will take.

Now we've all heard of jobs that pay $15.00 an hour for sleeping but I've never been offered anything like that. The closest I've ever come to lying down on the job was the day I unloaded a box car full of mattresses.

My first summer job was working on a car lot. It was a Mercedes dealership. My job was to drive the customers home when they brought their cars down to be worked on. Then when their car was fixed I would return it and they'd drive me back and face the repair bill. I think the customers were given the option of paying the bill or keeping me. It was a very efficient collection system.

I was finally retired from the job when I took a $25,000.00 Mercedes sports car from downtown Victoria to the owner in the Uplands by way of Duncan. When I got back to the shop I said I'd been tied up in traffic. They found it a little hard to believe that I'd spent five hours waiting to get across a busy intersection.

no experience necessary

The following summer I went out ahead of time and started to look for a job. I was successful. I bagged a job as a garbage man. See, diligence is rewarded. The only problem with the job was it didn't start until nearly a month after university ended. I was, at that time, going out with a young lady who was heavily endowed with the Protestant work ethic and could not abide the thought I wasn't working while she was. So I was harrassed into searching through the classified ads. Finally I found a job I thought I could handle.

It was a night job, it only paid $1.50 an hour but the key qualification was "no experience necessary". The job appeared under the heading CHICKEN CATCHER WANTED. Now perhaps I was a little naive to think that this was jargon for some kind of general laboring job...but then a swamper doesn't work in a swamp and a chokerman doesn't choke anybody; right?

6000 chickens

When I phoned the number in the ad the fellow who answered seemed rather reluctent to tell me exactly what I would be doing. All he wanted to know was could I come out to Metchosin at midnight that night. I suppose I should have caught on when I got out there and was told to get into a pickup truck that had a particularly unpleasant odour. I was taken out to a huge building in the middle of nowhere and introduced to 6000 sleeping chickens. By this time I had worked it all out: my job was to grab chickens until I had both hands full and carry them out to a large truck quietly pulled up beside the door to the barn.

Now I don't know what you would do if some 60 foot high monster picked you up by the foot in the middle of the night but I know what the chickens did a lot.

dead chicken

By the end of an eight hour shift I was thoroughly encrusted from head to foot. I did a good job though and pretty soon I was offered more money, at least they said I could work an extra eight hours at straight time shovelling out the barn after all the chickens were gone.

The fun thing about shovelling out the barn was that occasionally we would run across a chicken that had expired some time previously and been buried below some of the sawdust-manure mix that formed a three inch crust on the floor. One fellow that came to work there did not catch the significance of the choked cry "dead chicken" and he hung around until the greenish yellow fumes had totally engulfed him. We thought the poor fellow was going to retch himself to death.

Meanwhile we sat around outside, happy for the break, waiting for the barn to air out.

I quit

Finally my girlfriend went away and I never went back to work. I just lazed around in the sun happily looking forward to collecting garbage for the rest of the summer.

The following summer I disconnected septic tanks and connected up sewers. Last year I moved up and cleaned toilets. This year I have already been offered a job as an orderly but I turned it down. I think I may not look for a job at all I might just retire.

THE MIGHTY DIRTY FRASER

The mighty Fraser River. High in the Rockies near the Yellowhead Pass it has its beginning in the sparkling clear, cold streams that tumble down out of the mountain snows and glaciers. Together with other tributaries they merge to form one of British Columbia's great rivers, an 850-mile-long river of many moods. It rushes through canyons, boils over rocky rapids, swells and flows gracefully through broad valleys. To British Columbia, it is a river of history, a river of vital economic importance, a river of unceasing beauty.

And it is a river in danger of being destroyed.

With the sewage of communities along its extent, and particularly from Greater Vancouver's one million people, pouring into it daily, it's surprising that the Fraser isn't already a dead river. It isn't -- yet. The threat posed by continued dumping of oxygen-consuming organic wastes has been recognized and a scramble is underway to establish primary and secondary sewage treatment plants before it is too late. But there are even more dangerous pollutants getting into the river: copper, zinc, mercury, cadmium, lead and chromium. Heavy metals that, in sufficient quantities, can have toxic effects.

From film-developing labs, chromeplating shops, gasoline puddles on city streets, from wherever these metals are rinsed down a drain, they flow out into the Fraser. No one is really sure of the exact sources.

But we're pretty sure they're mainly coming out of municipal sewers, thanks to the work of Dr. Tim Parsons of UBC's Institute of Oceanography. Working last summer for UBC's Westwater Institute, Dr. Parsons found a high level of heavy metals in the molluscs and crabs at Sturgeon Bank at the mouth of the Fraser -- not at nearby Roberts Bank. Sturgeon Bank levels were about 10 times above normal, although still not lethal. The only major difference between the two locations is that the Iona Island sewage treatment plant flows out onto Sturgeon Bank.

Heavy metals are fairly recent villains on the pollution scene. Until the last few years, all river pollution studies were concerned with organic matter: oxygen-demanding wastes and coliforms. Only very recently, with more sophisticated measuring techniques, have we even become aware that heavy metals are getting into our rivers. Researchers at Westwater confess they are amazed at how little is known about water quality in the Fraser; some of the metals haven't even been monitored before.

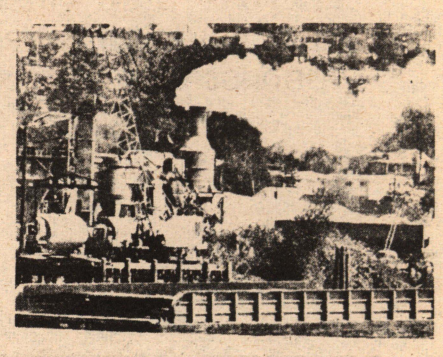
We do know something about the effects of heavy metals. People who ate fish contaminated by mercury in Japan's Minamata Bay suffered from partial paralysis, distorted sight, destroyed brain cells, weakness and exhaustion from nervous spasms, and eventually death. The effects are most devastating on organisms with highly developed nervous systems, such as humans, whereas an oyster, with a simple nervous system isn't as affected. Heavy metals are also suspected of causing cancer, especially in bone tissues where they usually end up.

Dr. Parsons says it's "hard to say" whether heavy metals have reduced the migrant salmon population in the Fraser. But it may be more than coincidence that salmon no longer use the north arm of the Fraser where the Iona Island sewage outfall is. And we know that if heavy metals are present in sufficient quantities they'll kill fish.

Present primary, secondary and tertiary sewage treatment schemes are all designed to take organic matter out of municipal effluent before it is dumped into the sea. The only known way to extract heavy metals is a highly complex and expensive iron-exchange process that is not used at any of B.C.'s municipal treatment centres.

But all this could be changed if the work of two UBC professors -- agricultural engineering professor Lionel Coulthard and engineering professor Bill Oldham -- in exploring coal filtration for sewage treatment continues to show such promising results.

Hat Creek, about 120 miles northeast of Vancouver, between Ashcroft and Lillooet, is the home of a huge untapped supply of "impure" coal that White Rock inventor, Cy Jones, claims could be the answer to many of our municipal waste problems. He maintains that by filtering sewage through a relatively inexpensive bed of Hat Creek coal 95-97 per cent of the toxic heavy metals in the sewage can be removed.



Jones, a long-time advocate of using coal for everything from cleaning up oil spills to hardening asphalt, thinks this could be "the greatest single contribution in the field of pollution control."

Research conducted by professors Coulthard and Oldham over the past year confirms Cy Jones' beliefs. Their reports, recently completed, provide the first "scientific" data to prove that Hat Creek coal definitely does filter out heavy metals.

Graduate student Murray Hendren, working under Dr. Oldham's guidance, got 95 per cent removal of toxic heavy metals from his column of coal. Working with a $5,000 grant from the provincial government, Dr. Coulthard found the coal would remove 100 per cent of dissolved cadmium and lead, and just slightly less for copper and zinc. He's now looking at chromium and mercury before submitting his final report to the government.

After this series of tests is over, Prof. Coulthard wants to go one step further and see if this coal might even filter out phosphates, nitrates and organic wastes. Dr. Coulthard bases his hopes on the chemicals in Hat Creek coal which make it a poor burning coal but which might make it better for picking up organic materials than the coal used in an extensive study by the Rand Development Corporation in Cleveland, Ohio.

The Rand report, a $2 million study commissioned by the U.S. Department of the Interior, using coal from the eastern U.S., said coal had definite potential for removing heavy metals, but was not recommended for routine treatment of raw sewage.

Murray Hendren's findings support the Rand report. "What we have found indicates that coal treats the organic matter in raw sewage more by direct filtering than by chemical action," Hendren explains. "You could

or will the gulf island playground

by Peter Ladner

can coal filtration clean it up?

expect to get almost the same results filtering raw sewage through a load of sand. I'm just as leery of it for treating raw sewage as I am optimistic about it for taking heavy metals out of treated sewage. Still, it's not completely out of the question that coal would work on organic matter. We've only looked at lab studies, and on a larger scale, these processes could work better."

This recent upsurge of interest in coal treatment at UBC and in the provincial government puzzles ("embitters" might be a more appropriate word) Cy Jones. He's been onto this for years, only he hasn't had the backing of university credentials and research grants. "I've never at any time in my life received a penny from government grants, and looking into this process has cost me several hundred thousands of dollars, not including salary. I spent all the money and I've done all the work on it. All Coulthard and Oldham are doing is verifying my facts."

The UBC researchers sympathize with Jones. "In some ways, Cy has had a bad deal," admits Bill Oldham. "He was trying to flog this idea six years ago when I was a consulting engineer, but I told him I'll never recommend coal for sewage treatment to my clients until something's proven. Finally now the government has put up some money, and I think it's only logical it goes to UBC or the B.C. Research Council, where the expertise is."

"They've got the expertise, but I've got the ideas," retorts Jones.

Ideas he definitely has. Jones holds 20 patents on coal use, including mixing coal dust with concrete to make Pozzolan cement, which was first used in the Port Mann bridge and later in the Peace River dam.

As far as Jones is concerned, his coal treatment method is not only proven but is "more effective, more practical, and simpler than present treatment methods and it's within the reach of all countries and all peoples."

From what professors Oldham and Coulthard have found, he's not far wrong. Dr. Coulthard's preliminary estimates peg the cost of installing a coal bed at about one-eighth the cost of equivalent treatment by conventional methods, with a on of the maintenance costs.

Hendren says the coal regains about 30 per cent of its treatment capacity if left under water after being used for a while, although eventually its treatment ability will diminish until it has to be replaced.

Dr. Oldham's results so far have stimulated the Pollution Control Board to come through with a $12,000 contract so he can study five or six different B.C. coals to see which one works best.

"There's certainly nothing wrong with Hat Creek coal, but there could be something better. Cominco is going to send us three types from the Crow's Nest area, and we might try some Sukunka coal. Now that we have found that coal works for treating heavy metals, we have to look at what volumes are necessary, how we get the coal into the treatment centres, what we do with it afterwards."

After his year-long contract is over, Dr. Oldham thinks the next step would be a pilot project at a sewage treatment plant. Prof. Coulthard is already monitoring sewage passed through coal after primary treatment at Iona Island, but that equipment was set up by Cy Jones before the recent studies.

For the moment, Prof. Oldham says the Pollution Control Branch, which issues permits allowing effluent discharge, simply wants to know if it should issue permits for coal beds.

One place they're probably wondering about is the Bursato meatpacking plant in Langley, where Cy Jones has set up the only functioning coal bed in B.C. using Hat Creek coal. It has been operating for five years with the same coal bed, and according to Jones' tests, which some say are not very rigorous but which haven't been disproved, all the wastes are being filtered out or broken down enough to meet current pollution control standards.

A coal bed is also being incorporated into the new waste disposal plant being designed by Dr. Coulthard for the UBC barns. If the B.C. government comes through with the $85,000 necessary to build the plant, the highly-concentrated farm wastes will get secondary-level treatment in a large vat, and an aeration ditch, and finally pass through a coal bed for finishing.

The municipality of Delta also has its eye on coal as a cheap solution to its sewage treatment problem. They're now considering Cy Jones' latest scheme of dropping coal into the sewage lines at various points throughout the system, so treatment will start while the sewage is still in the lines, which is sometimes up to half a day.

No one is quite sure how coal could best be used to keep heavy metals out of the Fraser. If they can't be kept out of municipal sewage systems altogether, treating metals where they come in might be the answer. Of course, a lot will depend on where the metals are coming from, something the Westwater Institute plans to find out soon. If they're coming from a few polluters, coal beds could be put at each place of pollution. The metals are easier to isolate and treat here because they are in high concentrations. If, as is suspected, small amounts are coming from many places, then centralized treatment would be cheaper and more efficient.

But one problem with adding coal to existing secondary level treatment centres is that heavy metals coming into the centres in sufficient concentrations can kill the bacteria used in the secondary treatment process. This has been happening in Richmond's new Gilbert Road plant.

Discovering that coal works in filtering heavy metals out of effluent is obviously just a first step, even if a crucial one. The next step, clearly, is to find some means of integrating this system with present treatment plans so as to ensure that the quality of the Fraser River water does not further decline, but rather improves.

It is important that the situation be corrected before the Fraser becomes an open sewer like so many of the world's great rivers have become. It is important not only because the Fraser is a great salmon-producing river, but because its flow empties into southwestern British Columbia's marine playground -- the Gulf of Georgia. There's a great deal at stake for all of us.

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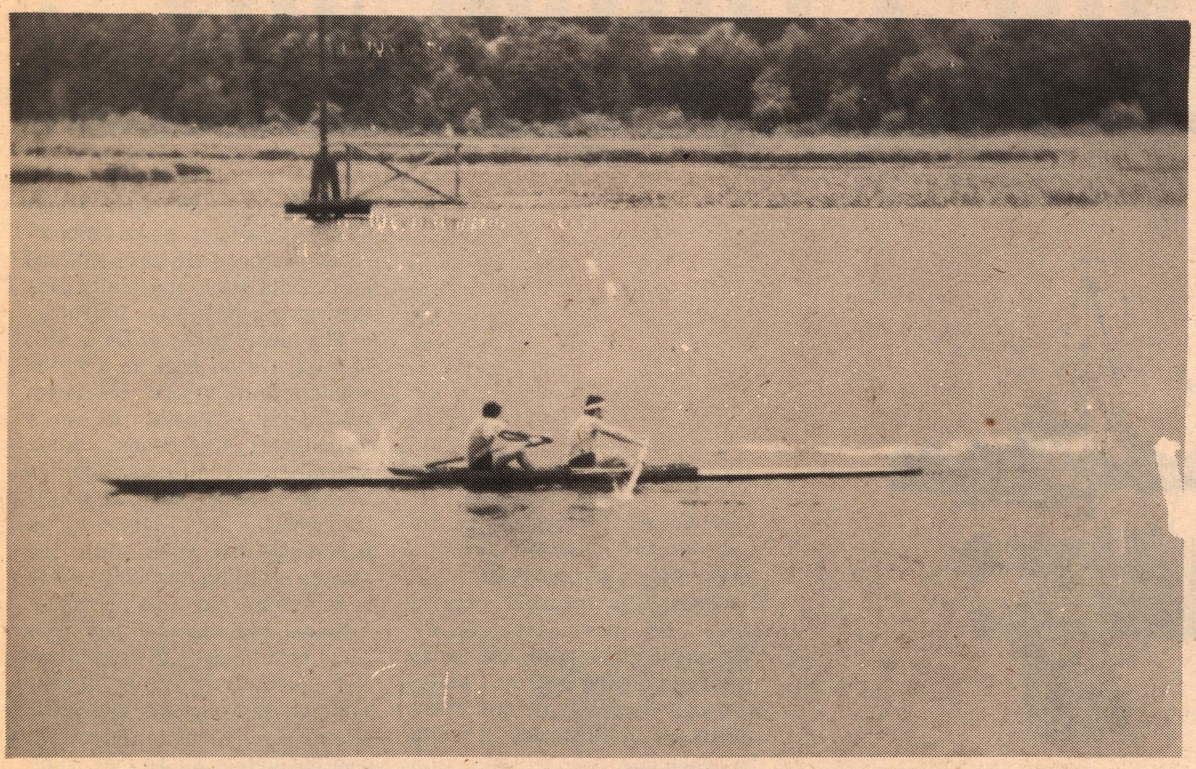

Rowers ready for big season

The start of the spring term marks the turning point in the training schedule for the UVic rowing crews.

After the relatively light training program of the fall session, which served as an introduction of the sport of the new oarsmen, in which the crews spent most of their time in the rowing shells, the emphasis in the spring session will be on general conditioning.

The conditioning program will gradually give way to an intensive water training schedule in preparation for the rigourous spring and summer racing season.

All crews will be competing in match races with local clubs, as well as universities in the Pacific Northwest. The ladies crew will renew their rivalry with Pacific Lutheran University from Oregon and will also meet the University of Washington. The men's crews, in the meanwhile, will be out to prove who is really who when they battle the Western Washington Vikings in March.

The university racing season will culminate in May, as all crews will be entered in the Western Sprint Championships, which sees the meeting of all the universities in western North America. For the first time in their history, the Sprints will be held in Canada on the excellent new rowing course at Burnaby Lake.

Following these championships, several local regattas begin the countdown to the Canadian Championships in July, which will also be held in Burnaby. Winners of events here will be selected to the national team if times are sufficiently fast to warrant international competition. These crews will be sent overseas for a two week training camp in West Germany before proceeding to the World Championships in Lucerne, Switzerland.

The ladies' crew riding on their early successes of the fall regatta at Green Lake, Wash., where they ranked third overall, are hoping to repeat as Canadian Champions and to join the national team to represent Canada in the World Championships.

The men's crews will be going into their most active racing season they have had in a number of years and are eager to compete in the Western Sprints and then to the Canadian Championships. The lightweight crew has been improving steadily, after being built on a core of four experienced oarsmen and seven eager newcomers. They placed fifth at the Head of the Lake Regatta at the U. of Wash. and are expected to show very well in the upcoming competitions. The heavy crew has dwindled somewhat, but there are still several active members and they too are looking forward to an active racing schedule.

All crews are continually looking for new oarsmen, especially those interested in rowing in the heavyweight category (170 lb. and over). It is still possible to compete in the upcoming racing season even if you don't have previous experience. Anyone interested should leave oheir name and phone number in the rowing box in the Phys. Ed. office.

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volleyball

Last Saturday January 12th the University of Victoria Men's Volleyball team again hosted a Senior A Men's volleyball tournament at the UVic gymnasium.

The tournament was divided into two sections of 5 teams each; the 6 teams from the Vancouver area, the 3 teams from Victoria and the one from Seattle gave the spectators present many fine games of top flight volleyball.

The UVic Vikings placed third in their division losing a berth to the semi-finals to Seattle Y by one game. The semi finals saw Vancouver Volleyball Club defeat Jericho Volleyball Club in the best match of the day 4-15, 15-3, 15-10 and, Richmond Volleyball Club defeat Seattle Y 15-3, 15-4. The Vancouver Volleyball Club for the 3 year running came first defeating Richmond Volleyball Club 15-4, 15-1.

soccer

Vikings soccer squad maintained their eleven game unbeaten streak crushing London Boxing Club 7-0.

This important win put the Vikings closer to the league leading Cosmo Royals.

Ross Woodland led Viking scoring by recording three goals.

Vic Escude banged in two goals, while Mike Sails and Jim Marshall had one apiece.

This Saturday the two teams play off in the first round of the Jackson Cup. George Smith, the Viking's manager, reports that this is going to be a terrific game and hopes that there will be a good turn out of Viking supporters as the Cosmo Royals have a tight knit group that provides that needed impetus in the game's final minutes.

The Norsemen see action in Duncan at 12:00 on Sunday.

basketball

The Vikettes had a couple of off days at UBC over the weekend.

The girls only managed 3 wins to 7 losses. The Thunderette Invitational was by Vancouver team Chimo 1 comprised of National Team members.

Presently the Vikettes are tied for third in the Canada West Tournament. Their next competition is at Saskatoon on Feb. 1.

French Canadian textbook will be used

As of September, 1973 first year French literature courses at UVic will include in their lists of texts at least one French Canadian book.

sports

Skiing is going downhill

By JOHN LUND

Skiing is going downhill. By 1984 we are going to have pre-planned and packaged ski vacations bearing a money back guarantee. Of course the vacation will take place only two blocks away and be as hermetically controlled as your 102-storey apartment.

Imagine two hours of skiing for $5.00 in an indoor completely regulated environment. Not even the trees will get in the way. Everyone will be strapped into their personal "jolly jumper" and then push a button marked "expert, intermediate or easy" and whoosh...off into a film-land of powder snow. For $.50 extra you can have the scent of pine and the occasional blast in the face to generate the "real thing" feeling. We'll be able to wiggle expertly through the moguls or leap off precipitous cliffs without a worry of missing work on Monday for a broken ankle.

Lunch break will be a snap. Push the button marked "lodge" and poof...a roaring fire, convival company and a nearly naked lady with a hot-buttered rum at your disposal. Beside the lodge button there will be "restricted, X-rated or G.P." buttons for those with weak hearts and-or families.

After a tough day on the slopes, another touch and whamie..Aldous Huxley's "feelie chair" for a back and neck massage and then onto the air commuter for the ride home.

Sound great doesn't it? Imagine, no six o'clock get-ups, no icy roads, no lift lines, no aching muscles, no unpredictable, cantankerous impossibly fantastic mountains whatsoever.

Skiing is going downhill because of this type of reasoning. Skiing along with every other popular sport is being homogenized, packaged, planned and sold to the American spectator. Hills are groomed, powdered, packed and patrolled enough to make a purist puke.

Sun Valley has computerized lift lines and hot air duct hand warmers. At any bank downtown you can arrange "pay later" ski holidays. With today's short skis and high-backed plastic boots you'd have to ski upside down just to fall over and when you do your 8.00 an hour "rent-a-skier" instructor is right there to pick you up.

The most unfortunate thing about skiers is that they breed more skiers. It's too late to supply them with Malthusian belts to keep the downhill population down. I think I'll push another button on my "feelie chair".

Mature students want changes

A spokesman for UVic's Mature Students Club says changes are needed in university policy and in federal Student Loan policy to make education more available to part-time students and those on non-degree programs.

The Club was formed two years ago to provide a focal point for UVic's increasing number of students over 24 and to investigate financial, housing and study problems of mature students. A questionnaire was recently circulated attempting to more clearly define these problems.

Over 1,000 mature students are registered at UVic this year and returned questionnaires numbered 410.

Results of the questionnaire have been analysed and the Club has made proposals to Education Minister Eileen Dailly and members of UVic's administration to alleviate discrimination against students because of age or number of academic units being taken.

Proposals for change include scheduling classes at convenient times, making student loans a possibility, and expanding UVic's day care centre.

The recommendations are as follows: more classes scheduled after 4:30 p.m., particularly in Education; the facility of registration by mail be made available to all students; degree programs for evening courses and summer session students be comprehensively planned and predictable over a number of years; the acceptance of transfer credits be as generous as possible; Canada student loans be available to part-time students; conditions for scholarships and bursaries not discriminate against age, sex or number of units taken; subsidized housing be made available to students on campus; the Day Care Centre facilities and hours be expanded; and a special room on campus be made available to mature students.

Vikings upset Golden Bears

The Vikings upset the undefeated University of Alberta Golden Bears in the second of their two games over the week-end in Edmonton. Friday night the Vikings lost their first game 81-56. At the half the Bears were ahead 29-24 and the Vikings couldn't muster a come back due to some rough moments of play.

It was a different story on Saturday. Gary Taylor, the enthusiastic Viking coach, reported that the UVic team controlled a very closely fought game from the start. Tied in the last minutes the Vikings retained possession of the ball to the end. With only eight seconds left on the clock rookie Dean Sawyer let fly the winning shot to make the score 60-58 for an ecstatic winning Viking side. Gordie Hoshal lead the scoring with 19 points and rookies Dean Sawyer, Lee Edmundson and Dave Mulcahy scoring close behind.

The Edmonton Golden Bears have been a powerhouse of a team all year and this upset by the Vikings shows that the poise needed to compete on the CWUAA trail is being developed by the UVic squad.

Before Saturday the Golden Bears' record stood at 7 wins and no losses and are still the conference leaders.

The Vikings are tied for second place with Calgary and U.B.C. with 5 wins and 3 losses. Lethbridge is third with a record of 2 wins 6 losses followed by Saskatchewan 0 and 8.

The Vikettes played in Edmonton also and won their Friday night game against the Alberta ladies but lost a hard fought battle on the following Saturday.

This coming Friday we have the Vikings pitched against Calgary at 8:30 p.m. in the gym preceeded by the Vikettes also against Calgary at 6:30 p.m. The JayVees take on BCIT at 4:30 p.m. also in the gym. The same schedule and times again on Saturday except that the JayVees challenge TrinityCollege at 4:30 p.m.

UVic keeps first place in Hockey League

The Vikings are still hanging onto first place in the Vancouver Island Hockey League. Last Friday saw the Vikings walk over the Esquimalt Buchaneers 8-1. Jack Richardson, Larry Hackman and Dave Cousins each put away 2 goals.

Saturday the UVic team had to work a little harder for their win. Going into the third period against Chemainus they were down 3-1.

Terry Oscarson started the come back by scoring halfway through the period and then another goal and the game was tied with 3 minutes left to play. The fans were wild and finally went absolutely crazy when Jack Richardson rammed home the deciding point. Final score 4-3 for a jubilant UVic squad.

This Friday the Vikings play the second place team, London Boxing Club. It will be an exciting game so let's lend some more of this Friday night at the Esquimalt Arena.

Egg prices at 'artificially' high level

OTTAWA (CUP) -- "I am pleased to lend my support to the Canadian Egg Marketing Agency in their promotion of January as Egg Month," Agriculture Minister Eugene Whelan said on January 8th.

January 9th the Food Prices Review Board called for the immediate reduction of egg prices critizing egg producers and marketing boards saying that egg prices are being maintained at an "artificially" high level. The rapid price increases far exceed the cost of production according to the Board.

However, according to a press release from Whelan's office CICE "The agency was established last June 4th to help assure a plentiful egg supply and fair egg prices based on bare cost production plus a reasonable return to egg producers."

Obviously the Minister of Agriculture and Beryl Pumptre, head of the Food Prices Review Board have conflicting views on what is a "reasonable return".

"Everybody could see that profits had to turn the corner and improve. But most people in agriculture expected it would take at least five years to make the gains we have seen in the last 12 to 15 months." Whelan told the PEI Federation of Agriculture on January 3rd.

"While it is unfortunate that individual producers sustained financial losses as a result of maintaining uneconomic production levels throughout 1970 and 1971, to board is of the opinion that consumers should not now be expected, through higher current prices, to relieve the burden created by the producer," the Food Prices Review Board concluded.

The report suggested that to stabilize prices a pooling of receipts similar to the Wheat Board would help. Further, the Canadian Egg Marketing Agency should be made accountable to the public and should be relieved of the power to export eggs.

According to the report, Canadians would have increased their egg consumption if eggs had not been exported to the United States.

Christmas recycling encouraged

Victoria's Project Recycle, at 4026 Borden St., encouraged Christmas recycling this year with a number of special programs.

Christmas cards made from 80 per cent recycled fibre, designed by the staff and printed locally, were sold to the public. Said David Jackman, a project employee, about 50 dozen were sold.

A new idea to prevent wastage of evergreen trees was introduced, and "half-barrel containers" were supplied to Victoria residents who liked the idea of keeping a Christmas tree alive for several years. Buying a cut Christmas tree each year is both expensive and detrimental to the environment. To encourage the practice of reusing the trees, "known as shrubs the rest of the year," said Jackman, the half-barrels will be sold again next winter.

Donations of toys were received by the Project for the annual Kiwanis Club Christmas Toy Drive. Response was good, said a volunteer.

Simonsez

by Simon Gibson

"Oh say can you see..."

If you've listened to a neighboring American radio station for any length of time--regardless of format--you've probably heard something called 'Americans'.

Gordon Sinclair, one of Canada's best-known radio and television personalities, originally had written a column for the Toronto Star which was 'picked up' by the wire-services in the U.S. Following this first appearance in September of '73, the article was read into the U.S. Congressional Record on a number of occasions.

Eventually, Paul Harvey, another broadcasting personality from the opposite side of the border, considered Sinclair's views in both a Human Events column and on his regular syndicated radio show. The name Sinclair was becoming well-known.

Canadian content?

What made 'Americans' such an instant success with so many U.S. observers? Uniquely, it was strongly pro-American. While the American people, in many cases, had become accustomed to being criticized and insulted, this was something different:

"When the franc was in danger of collapsing in 1956, it was the Americans who propped it up, and their reward was to be insulted and swindled on the streets of Paris."

"When distant cities are hit by earthquakes, it is the United States that runs to help."

"You talk about scandals, and the Americans put theirs right in the store window for everybody to look at.

"Even their draft-dodgers are not pursued and hounded. They are here, on our streets, and most of them unless they are breaking Canadian laws, are getting American dollars from Ma and Pa at home to spend here."

"I can name you 5,000 times when the Americans raced to the help of other people in trouble. Can you name me even one time when someone else raced to the Americans in trouble?"

"Our neighbors have faced it alone, and I'm one Canadian who is damned tired of hearing them kicked around."

Sinclair continues in his text, to point out other instances of where the U.S.--in his opinion--has been treated badly by countries who have accepted aid and support. He further discusses American 'technocracy' and refers to the moon-landings and the modern airplanes as examples of American's natural claim to the role of world leader.

Dick Clark Sez

Just a few weeks before Christmas, after being read into the Congressional Record for the fourth time, a Windsor, Ontario news man read "Americans" over the air on a local-area radio station. One thousand calls later, he was contacted by a record promoter from nearby Detroit and it was soon released on record. Accompanied by 'America the Beautiful" played by the Detroit Symphony orchestra, it sold, according to a Seattle radio station, one million copies in the greater Detroit area in the first ten days.

Two versions of the 45 record are now available in the U.S.: the more popular edition is by the Windsor radio newsman, Byron MacGregor, who really made a 'hit' out of it. Sinclair himself has also released his own version which features the same 'Front Page Challenge'-style in contrast to MacGregor's deeper tones.

Predictions of sales apparently have now reached as high as four million which would make it one of the best-sellers of its type.

While 'cashing-in' on the big American market might seem like a pretty wise move, neither Sinclair or MacGregor will be making any money out of "Americans". All royalties are being donated to the American Red Cross.

I guess that is what's called 'putting your money where your mouth is.'

letters continued

cheezies or crackers?

Editor:

Whether Cheezies or crackers, is the big decision ahead of the student body in the upcoming AMS elections. Hardly anyone has heard of or met the candidates. Who knows who will win, but the bet is on who ever's name is at the top of the list. This is what I was told was the reason for my majority vote support in the last R.A. Election.

In the Martlet some say I have been getting bad PR self appointed scourge of the R.A., defeatist Anti-sub expansion Platform etc. Maybe the persona of an electric cattle prodder in the R.A. would be more appropriate. My appointment was through student election; (my advantage being in position of alphabetical order?).

I am a Presidential candidate in the executive elections, Jan. 29th. I personally have every intention of winning as do my compatriots, who are on the slate for the other executive positions. We haven't room here to expound the routine story of present student government weakness. Suffice is a picture of a running dog recently decapitated.

We don't want "the same old thing" that is why we're attempting to be elected.

John Abbott

pissed off

Editor:

I would like the opportunity to say a couple of things here about Vince Kreiser's letter in last week's issue of the Martlet.

Firstly, at last term's last RA meeting a petition containing over 300 names on it was presented to Prez Flavelle. The petition requested that the matter of SUB expansion be put to a student referendum.

What happened was somewhat of a mind blower. Apparently the execs had been preparing for us. At that night's meeting we found that we had screwed up because of some legal technicality of the B.C. Societies Act (the AMS is a society). The execs had actually gone to see the AMS lawyer during the day, and it was he who told them about the legal bit. Anyway the point is, the execs went to a great deal of trouble (maybe it was a labor of love) to thwart the opinion of the student body. When 300 names are collected in one measly afternoon, this is an indication that somebody out there is trying to be heard. The execs, along with their buddies in the RA, are really helping along apathy in the peasants of this university.

As somebody once said the AMS is the duly elected, supreme rep...Blah Blah Blah! Mr. Kreiser, some of us on the RA feel the same way as you.

Secondly, the elections for the executive are coming up soon. I hope all the students get off their collective butts and vote this time. It's about time some responsive people were put into office. The only people that an apathetic student body put in office tend to become apathetic themselves in present situation.

I still remember Alex Hart asking to see the ID cards of the 300 plus students who signed the petition!

Pisses me off.

Chris Wilks
1st yr. rep.

subsidized toothpaste?

Editor:

Are your readers satisfied with the CBC?

In mid-February the Canadian Radio and Television Commission is holding public hearings in Ottawa to review the CBC's licence to continue broadcasting for another five years. The undersigned believe the public should express an opinion about what it wants to see and hear on our publicly-financed television and radio networks.

The CBC is clearly modelling itself on American practices, programming whatever advertisers will buy. It's selling our airtime on our network to companies so that they in turn can sell their wares to us. Do we need a publically-financed network to subsidize sales of toothpaste?

Robert Harlow
Tom Shandel
Wally Hamilton
Vianne Lyman
Marianne West
Tony Williams

Belaunde con't from one

"when the palace is quiet, double the guard."

"I was awoken later that night by the noise of tanks rolling over the front gate."

Fortunately Belaunde was able to escape the country and has been in exile ever since.

Belaunde spoke on the possibilities of the Latin American trade market for Canada. He said that Canada has the technological capacity to be of assistance but not the economic or military power to constitute much of a threat. Peru needs the outside help in mining, railroading and aeronautical techniques that Canada is in a position to provide. With this assistance, Peru would be able to build up industrial strength and begin to seriously develop it's resources.

Belaunde especially regretted Canadian non-membership to the Organization of American States. He called us "The great absent."

He said that Canada had many issues, such as 200-mile offshore fishing rights, in common with Peru.

Belaunde devoted some time to his visions of future Latin American growth. The Latin States, he said, would have to unite themselves economically "just like the Arabs are doing" to promote "multinational projects." By this he meant the development of the massive hydro-electric potential of the Andes mountains.

He believed there was enough energy to power any future industrial projects Latin America might undertake with plenty of surplus left over to export. If this becomes the case, Belaunde believes that Latin America will be able to successfully compete on the world markets with a favourable balance of payments, something which up to now it has not been able to accomplish.

In the following question period, doubts were raised by one student about the desirability of such unlimited industrial expansion. He pointed out that in Brazil this policy had resulted in genocide of Amazonian Indians when roads built to open up the country passed through their territory.

Belaunde denied any mass killings, saying any such reports had been "exaggerated" and further stated that development of resources was a top priority of Latin America above all others.

Another student asked the ex-President if, considering that most democratic governments in Latin America had been disposed of by the military, there was any alternative choice other than an army junta or Marxism.

Belaunde disagreed, saying that regardless of his personal experiences he still had faith in democratic systems.

Parliament con't from one

penalty were passed by the Model House.

Others were a Social Credit bill to force government employees to swear an oath of allegance, which failed, an amendment to the Indian Act, which was thrown out for taking too long to read, and a bill to make extensive additions to Canada's railway system.

The rail bill involved, among other things, building railways across the straits of Georgia, to islands on the west coast where deep sea ports and a line over Mount Waddington which the bill's originator forgot was there.

Bills were presented by the members of all four parties. Patricia Routledge took over as Prime Minister when the Liberals resigned.

Some observers felt the spirit of Model Parliament was summed-up in a statement made by Liberal justice minister Michelle Carr during the height of Sunday's debate:

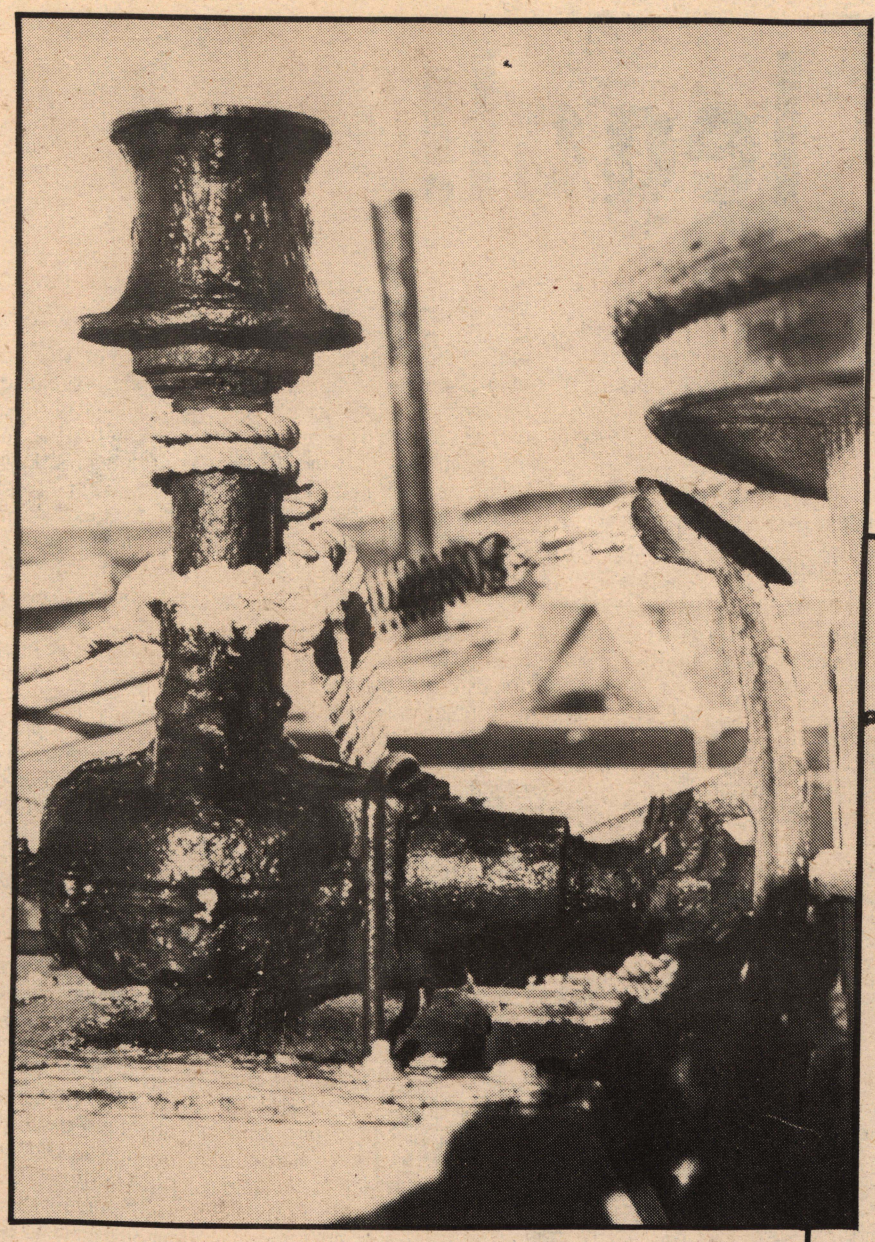
"The Legislative Assembly has traditionally been the grounds of the mock democratic process," she said before leaving the chamber.

112-555-1212

If you have trouble getting through to B.C. Tel's information to get a phone number that isn't in the directory, here's a little tip.

It is sometimes easier to dial 112-555-1212 and get long distance directory assistance. The reason for this is that the telephone company here does not always schedule enough operators for peak periods.

If you dial 113 and it rings five or six times without any answer then the switchboards are probably overloaded and it will be faster to go through long distance directory assistance.



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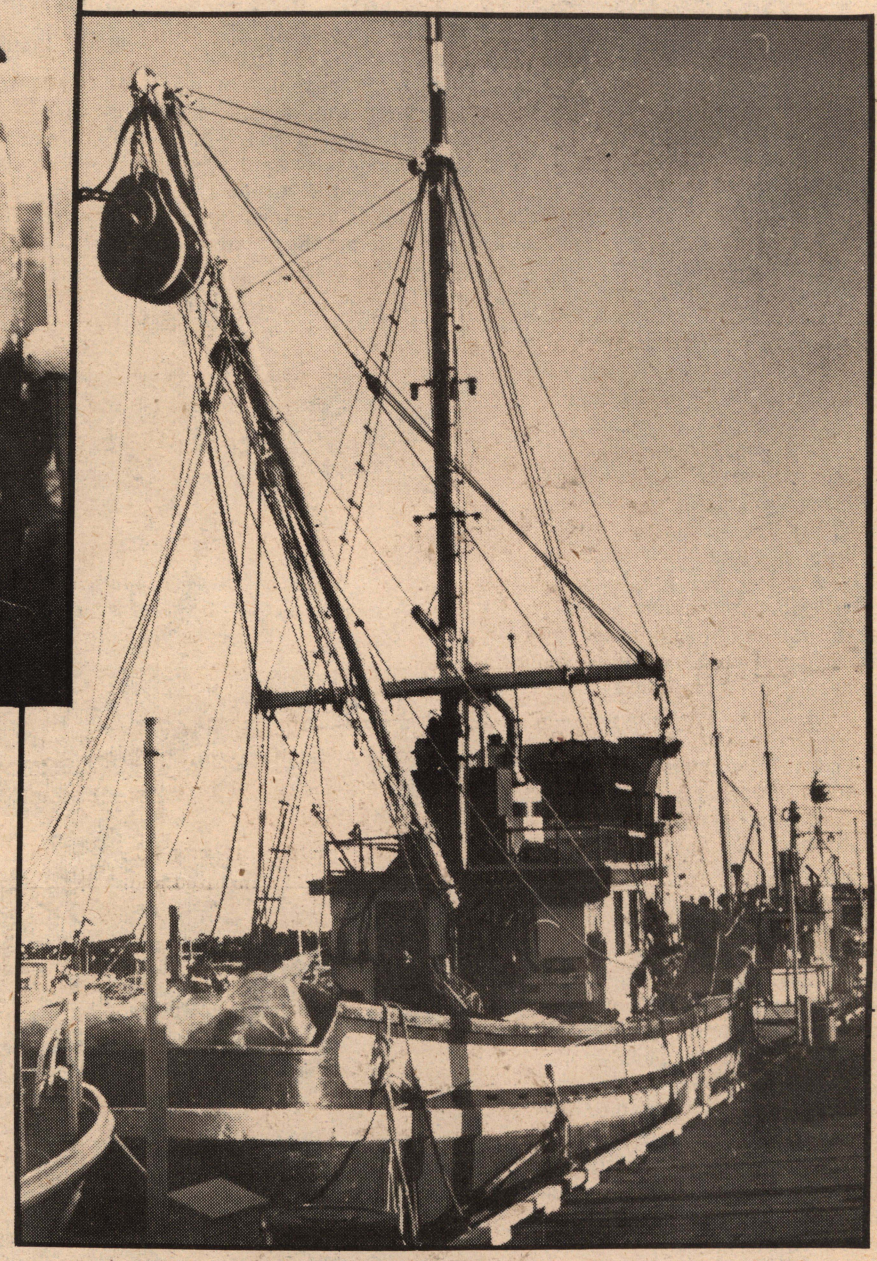

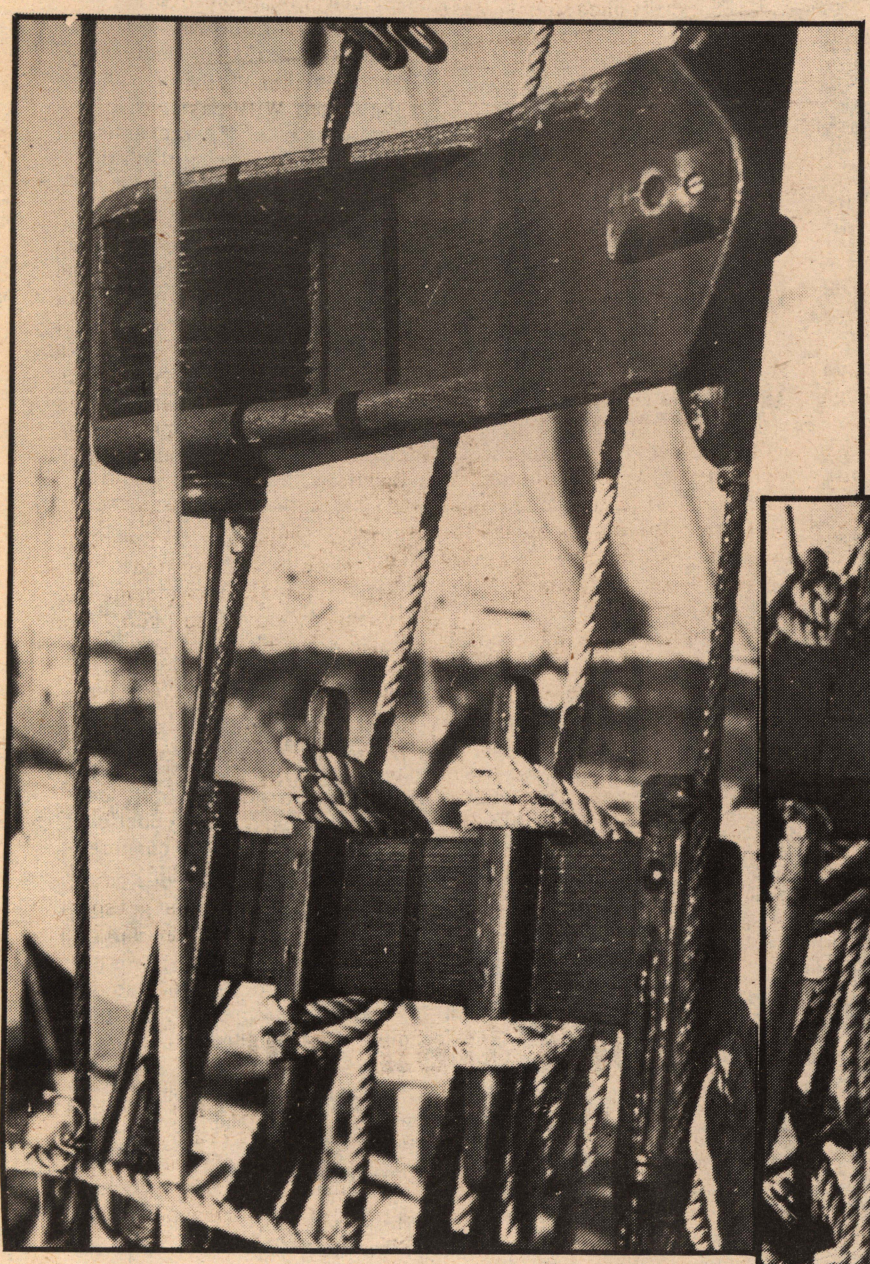

by eric littley

And it's all legal!

by Derry McDonell

So you went into your local co rner grocery store yesterday, did you Ms. B.? And you couldn't believe your eyes?

There, as bold as you please, was your friendly neighborhood grocer squatted down, scratching out the old price on his ten-pound bags of sugar and marking them up by more than a dollar.

And you said to yourself, "he can't do that! It's illegal to double-price an item at the retail level! I'm going to complain."

So you telephoned your trusty government watchdog: the department of corporate and consumer affairs, Vancouver office, and demanded to know what they were prepared to do about it.

And you can still hear their plaintive voices in your fuming ears, can't you Ms. B.? They told you, "I'm sorry, Ms. B., but all we can suggest is that you write a letter to the Food Prices Review Board (of Beryl Plumtre fame) in Ottawa, and tell them what you know."

And when you spluttered and said, "But isn't it against the law to double-price an item?"; you were quietly told, "Sorry Mrs. B., but there is no law against profiteering in Canada."

And then you knew why the grocer smiled at you when you walked in the next day.

Fiction? Not at all. It is happening every day, both here in Port Alberni and right across the country.

If you were to ask the next 20 people you passed on the street whether it was illegal or not to double-price an item in the store, at least fiften of them would answer "Yes, it is." **(It is very useful, of course, for the food industry to have most people believing that double-ticketting is illegal, since most people would then assume that they aren't doing it, or that, if they are, there is someone trying to catch them at it.)**

still in proposal stage

But they're wrong. The nearest thing to it is an amendment to the Combines Act -- which is still in the proposal stage -- that would make it illegal to charge the higher of two or more prices marked on an item on the shelf.

But that's not where the real problem lies. And here is where my own investigation comes in. As the result of a call from an angry consumer the other day, I checked out a small corner grocery store where the caller said the sugar had been repriced on the shelf. The new price was $1.10 higher than the old, the caller said.

The story checked out. But when the grocer was confronted with the evidence, he stated: "But the (name of a) very large wholesale food company distributor told me to do that. He said, "The price of sugar is going up. You'd better raise your price so you won't be selling under cost."

I then obtained the name of the distributor and asked him what he had to say about it.

"Oh no," he replied, "I never told him to mark up the price of his shelf stock -- that's illegal isn't it?"

Well, what did he do then?

"All I said was 'The wholesale price of sugar is going up, and I suggest you raise the price on any stock you haven't already marked.' "

The distributor was very insistent. He never, never, never, TELLS his customers to raise their prices. He merely SUGGESTS that they do so. **(There's a very good reason for this. Under the present Combines Act is an offence for a wholesaler to dictate a retail price to a retailer. Wholesalers get around this, of course, in several ways -- one of which is explained above. Another is to put the retailer on consignment (making him an agent of the wholesaler, and thus never actually selling the goods to him.) The law, you see, only applies to the RE-sale of goods. There are proposed amendments before the House to make both of these practices illegal, but they still don't go far enough. The reason is simple. Obviously it is to the retailer's advantage to mark his price higher in such cases in order to get on "the gravy train" while it lasts (i.e. before the wholesaler raises his price too). Thus the only sure plug in the loophole is a "margin of profit" law, especially for such essential commodities as food.)**

"But," we asked, "hasn't the retailer already paid for any sugar he has in his warehouse?"

Here began a long, involved, circuitous argument at the end of which the distributor finally agreed that "Yes, the retailer's invoice -- with the price he is to pay on it -- arrives at the same time as his shipment from the wholesaler."

Well then, I asked, repricing the stock in the warehouse is really no different than repricing it on the shelf, is it, except that it is much less obvious to the customer that you've done it, isn't it? After all, it is still an attempt to gouge the consumer for a higher margin of profit, based on a wholesale price increase which you have yet to feel the effects of yourself, isn't it?

"Yes," he agreed, somewhat reluctantly.

includes major chains

And what do the smaller retailers serviced by the distributor base their price increase on?

"They ask me what everyone else is selling it for, and I tell them, and they decide from there," he replied.

This "everyone else," of course, includes the major retail food chains, which do a far greater volume of business in any item -- sugar included -- and who would probably have already had to buy higher-priced stock from the warehouse and raise their prices accordingly. **(Not true. Information that has come to me since then says that the major chains are only just now having to buy sugar at the increased wholesale price. Thus for almost four weeks they have been gouging the public at the rate of 10 to 15 cents a pound. Proof for this is very circumstantial but it still makes sense. After all, if I'm being paid $25,000 a year as a wholesale buyer for say, Safeway, I'm not likely to retain my job too long if I can't anticipate such things as a major increase in the wholesale price of sugar and make sure the company has plenty on hand when the jump hits. The same is true of the wholesalers themselves.)**

Thus the "everyone else" price that the small retailer goes by is largely unrelated to his own situation. But besides giving him a chance for some quick windfall profits, it helps to promote the image of a general increase in the price of sugar -- which is helpful in keeping the complaints from consumers to a minimum. **(The old "Don't-blame-us-everyone-else-is-doing-it-and-our-costs-have-gone-up-too" gambit.)**

On the other hand, the opportunities for windfall profits by the smaller retailers during a flux situation such as presently exists in sugar, are miniscule in comparison to the avenues presented to the large chains.

A quick check of all three major food outlets in the city showed that none of them is marking an individual price on sugar items (with the exception of Super-Valu, which did have a price stamped on five-pound bags).

Asked why, the managers say, "Too much work. We do so big a volume in that item, it's simply not worthwhile marking individually. The girls at the checkouts have the price and it's marked on the shelf itself."

Too big a volume? In white sugar maybe; but also in brown sugar, demerara sugar, and even boxed icing sugar and sugar cubes, none of which were marked either?

employees not so true

Without a price marked except for a tag stuck to a shelf, conceivably the store could change the shelf price 20 times a day if it chose to -- and remember, there is no law against it.

Of course, store managers insist that they, in fact, don't do it -- "It's against the law!", one of them said emphatically. But store employees are not always so true blue.

One of them, who for obvious reasons asked that her name be kept a secret, said that her company has sent out a memo just recently to all its chain outlets, advising them that if they did mark individual packages of sugar on the shelf, not to mark more than the first layer. (Prices might drop, you see).

Yet it was one of the managers who assessed the situation most honestly. He described the fluctuating market in sugar as being "like playing the stock market."

"Instead of buying and selling shares, we're doing it with a real commodity," he said, adding that the price at all levels, right back to the sugar brokers themselves, was being kept floating in order to protect the market "players."

"If I buy in today at so much a pound, it may drop by 30 to 40 cents tomorrow," he explained.

And the real kicker is this, he said: "There is no shortage of sugar at all." **(Of course there isn't. It's merely an artificial shortage created by the brokers and major wholesalers in order to drive up the domestic price of sugar. The same was true too during the meat crisis, and has also been done with rice, eggs, and honey. An example from another industry is useful in understanding the situation. MacMillan Bloedel is opening a new sawmill in Port Alberni to fill a major order of 13 million board feet from Cuba. The wood for this order is to be deducted from the total usually alloted to the Eastern U.S. market -- a market described by MB officials as being "soft' (i.e. oversupplied and underpriced) at the moment. MB hopes that by cutting off some of the supply to the Eastern U.S. (its major market) it can create a "shortage", thus giving them the excuse to raise the price.)**

But before you head out to burn down the nearest supermarket, remember this: it's all legal. Better sit down instead and tell Beryl Plumptre what she should be doing about it. **(Consumers could also help themselves if they would stop reacting to screaming headlines about impending price increases by rushing to the store and buying the largest quantity available in that item. You can't beat them that way, only make them laugh all the way to the bank. The best thing to do is try and wait until they are at least paying the inflated price themselves before buying again. (i.e. in this case, four weeks would have been right.) On the other hand, retailers are forever trying to explain away the effects of price increases by pointing out that sales are rising in proportion. "See, who says the consumer can't afford it?" they ask.)**

What they don't tell you is that these increased sales are due in large part to stampeding crowds rushing to the store to stock up on the latest commodity that the industry has decided to use as a "flyer" in this stock market-style game. It's about time someone told the consumer just what a sucker he's being played for when he does that.)

Her address is The Food Prices Review Board, Box 1540, Station B, Ottawa, K1T 5Z5, Ont.

And good luck.

eric littley

You'll wonder where the dollars went...

--Derry McDonell wrote this story while working for the Alberni Valley Times. He has just accepted a position with the Prince George Citizen, a member of the Southam organization. McDonell is also a former Martlet staffer and last year's AMS Publications Director.

University of Alberta votes down national union

EDMONTON (CUP)--In a pathetic turnout of voters, students at the University of Alberta in Edmonton voted against membership in the National Union of Students November 23.

Only 680 of an eligible 18,000 voters bothered to mark their ballots, a typical showing for this generally apathetic campus. It was a close result, with "no" votes counting for only 52.7 percent of the total vote.

There was not much active campaigning for either side. The referendum was marred by a noticeable lack of publicity. Most students here were not even aware of the existence of the National Union of Students. Even fewer students were aware of the issues in the referendum.

It is ironic that the U of A, one of the largest supporters of the Union in its infant stages, should now back down from membership. The student council executive had been so enthusiastic about NUS that they agreed to host the NUS conference held in October.

That conference was a discouraging affair, according to Pat Delaney, Student Council Academic Vice-President. Delaney and President George Mantor were very disturbed that NUS was becoming involved in grape and Kraft boycotts, which they feel are not student issues.

Another issue that disillusioned Delaney and Mantor was the resolution that each NUS member should have one vote in the organization's decision making process. Delaney believes the larger institutions that pay greater fees should have a greater say than the smaller institutions.

Consequently, the executive underwent a complete reversal in sentiments after the October conference. Delaney mounted a campaign to discourage students from voting in favour of NUS. Three days prior to the referendum, an editorial appeared in the student council newspaper, the Gateway, that was written by Delaney and outlined his opposition to NUS.

A small campaign was quickly organized by a roup of concerned students who favoured NUS membership, and who feared that the opinions of Student Council executive would have a large influence on voters.

Whether that influence was felt will never be known. However, the entire affair indicates that not much interest in a national union has been generated among the students at the U of A.

Writing workshop starts next week

A program attempting to aid students in overcoming problems in English composition is being organized now with plans to begin the week of January 21st.

The program, entitled, Intensive Writing Workshop, and organized by Dr. Herbert F. Smith of the Department of English, is to be restricted to those students in disciplines other than English who have completed first year.

An innovation on the standard course is a recognition-and-reward game in which students who recognize and correct faults in English composition will be rewarded with token amounts of money. A registration fee of $5.00 will be charged at the beginning of the sessions; participants missing a session will forfeit their fee, but those whose attendance is perfect will be returned their fee, doubled.

Additional information can be obtained, or registration can be made, to Dr. Herbert Smith, 43 Sedgewick Building, Local 540.

Twenty vacancies are still to be filled.

Electrifying experience!

If you've noticed recently that reaching for a door knob or the back of a metal chair can be a very shocking experience and you have wondered what you can do to avoid that little static electricity zap, the answer is - not much.

The reason there is so much static electricity around is because of the weather. There is very cold dry air moving in from the arctic. This cold dry air is acting as an insulator. The electricity that builds up in the body is normally dispersed through the moisture in the air. With the cold dry air acting as an insulator the static electricity is building up continually until you touch the next conductor like a door knob...then zap-powie.

Some types of clothing that contain a large percentage of polyester or nylon tend to pick up a charge quite readily. Avoiding such material while the weather is cold and dry will help but taking all your clothes off won't completely solve the problem. You might even be in for more of a shock.

Why wait for spring? Graduate now

Graduating students eligible for degrees in the fall need no longer wait until spring convocation to receive these degrees, the UVic Senate decided November 14.

Degrees have previously been granted only in spring, but will now be awarded in November as well as May.

The ruling takes effect this year, but 1973 fall degrees will be awarded in December because of the timing of the Senate decision.

Names of 200 students who will receive their degrees this month has just been announced by the University. Included are 41 post graduate degrees: seven Doctors of Philosophy, 22 Masters of Arts and 13 Masters of Science. Undergraduate degrees number 142: 51 Bachelor of Arts, 16 Bachelor of Science, 73 Bachelor of Education, one Bachelor of Fine Arts and one Bachelor of Music.

Most of these students either attended 1973 summer session or sat for deferred examinations.

Graduating students will be asked this month by the Registrar to choose between receiving their degrees by mail in January or in person at the May convocation.

Those who receive theirs by mail will have the degrees conferred ceremonially at the Convocation

So it goes...

The University of Victoria library sadly announced in December that the magazine "Environment", until last March printed entirely on recycled paper, has gone back to glossy stock.

It's cheaper!

A co-operative printing arrangement with a group of less high minded magazines makes it much less expensive.

Said a library memo: "and so it goes..."

CAMPUS DEVELOPMENT

Following are the hours of operation for the Student Union Building.

General Office:
8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Monday to Friday

Cafeteria:
8 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Monday, Wednesday, Friday
8a.m. to 10 p.m.
Tuesday, Thursday
11a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday
Closed Saturday

Pub: 4:30p.m. to 12 p.m.
Monday,
4:30p.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Friday

Kirk Patterson
Co-ordinator
Campus Development

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A CLASSIC COMEDY TRIPLE FEATURE
Friday, January 18th
Elliot 168
Saturday, January 19th
MacLaurin 144

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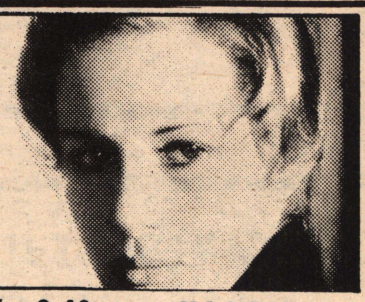

Thursday, January 17 - 9:40p.m. - MAC 144
students and faculty:$1.00

Ingmar Bergman's THE SEVENTH SEAL
Tuesday. Jan. 22 - 7:15 p.m.
Elliot 168
students and faculty: $.75

Gallery Players
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by Dorothy Livesay
ONE SPRING MORNING
by Cherie Stewart
directed by Gloria Peyton

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Art Gallery of Greater Victoria 1040 Moss Street.
Jan. 18 & 19 at 8:30 p.m.
Tickets $1.50 Students $1.00.

CAMPUS DEVELOPMENT

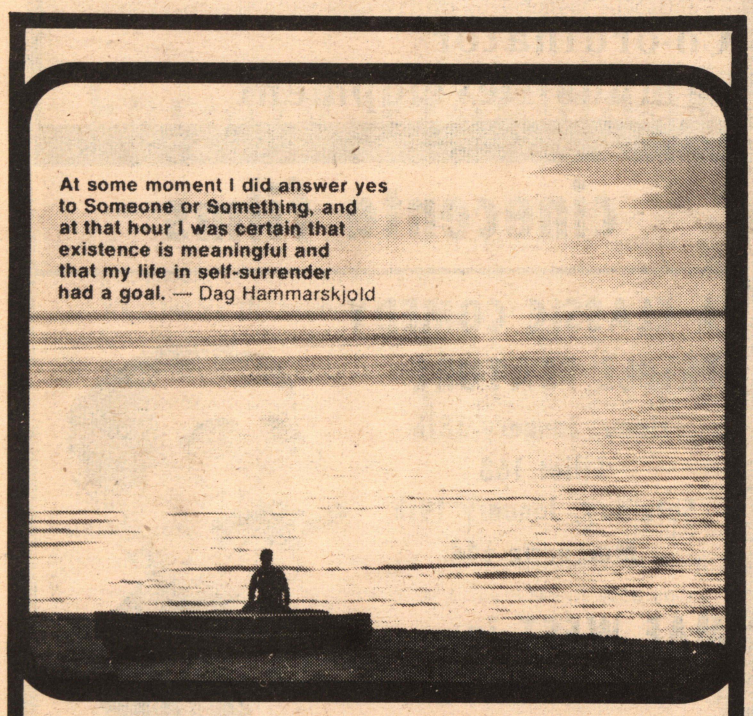
I will be in the Council Office of the SUB at the following times to discuss matters concerning campus development:

Monday: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Wednesday: 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Special times can be arranged if the above times are inconvenient.

Many thanks,

Kirk Patterson
Campus Development Co-ordinator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CAMPUS DEVELOPMENT

On Friday, January 25 all unclaimed articles in the Council Office (SUB)will be disposed of. Anyone having articles in the Council Office is asked to take them away or store them properly in the Council Office by this date.

Your help in maintaining the Council Office as a place conducive to work will be greatly appreciated.

Kirk Patterson

Campus Development Co-ordinator

OBSCENE AFFECTION!

Watergate reporter hits US press

WINNIPEG (CUP) - The tragedy of American journalism is that the press has an "obscene affection" for the official government version of an event, charged Bob Woodward, one of the two Washington Post reporters responsible for uncovering the Watergate scandal.

Speaking at the University of Manitoba on November 29, Woodward told the students that the government would be immobilized in two or three months if reporters did some "digging" for the truth. At present, reporters are no more than "sophisticated stenographers ... transcribing what the administration says" without thinking about what is being said.

Papers are not even heeding the former attorney general John Mitchell's warning in 1968: "One thing about the administration - watch what we do, not what we say."

Fortunately, Woodward and his co-worker Carl Bernstein worked for a paper not content to accept the government's press releases as the truth. Given carte blanche and the full support of the Post's owner and editor, the two conducted basic "police reporting" on the Watergate burglary. They began their investigations the day after the June 17, 1972 break-in.

A mysterious entry, "H. Hunt W. House", found in the address book of one of the Watergate burglars tipped them off that the break-in was different from the usual 50 burglaries per day in Washington. "H. Hunt" turned out to be Howard Hunt, the White House consultant.

When phoned by Woodward and asked why his name was in the burglar's address book, Hunt replied "Good God!" slammed down the phone and left town.

Woodward said that this sequence has been repeated "about 55 times" by other top Nixon men.

The two went through exhaustive and sometimes futile investigating. They did not approach men high up but stuck to a low level investigation. "You don't get this background by going to the Sans Souci (an exclusive Washington restaurant) for lunch with Kissinger. You get it by talking to neighbours, policemen, checking travel records, phone records, to see who they talked to, where they got their money. Things like this leave their tracks."

While interviewing White House secretaries, the two reporters were told of strange occurrences, for instance: Jeb Magruder, a Nixon aide, was seen running down the hall to the shredder room with a stack of documents; John Mitchell, then attorney general, was seen entering the offices of the Committee to Re-elect the President (CREEP) with a coat over his head.

A big break in the investigation came when Bernstein was given a chance to examine the subpeonaed records of one of the Watergate burglars. Included were $89,000 in cheques and a $25,000 cheque for a Kenneth H. Dallberg.

Dallberg revealed that Maurice H. Stans, the chief Nixon fund-raiser, was to receive the cheques. These cheques, Woodward explained, eventually turned out to be "hush up money" for the Watergate burglars.

Another major part of the story broke when California lawyer, Donald Segretti, was exposed for his acts of sabotage against Democratic candidates.

These so-called "dirty tricks" gave Woodward and Bernstein an indication that Watergate was not just a third-rate burglary or "isolated event" as the White House called it. They felt that it was only one aspect of the re-election campaign strategy of the White House.

On October 10, after nearly four months of painstaking research, the two reporters published their findings. They reported that the FBI had linked the Watergate affair to a "massive campaign of political spying and sabotage."

As was expected, White House press secretary Ronald Ziegler called the Post allegations "hearsay," "shoddy journalism", and "character assassination." These "non-denial denials" later indicated that a solid fact had been uncovered, Woodward commented.

One year after the original printing of the story, all of the Post's accusations and allegations have been borned out as factual. Indeed, after ensuing revelations, Woodward and Bernstein seem only to have scraped the surface of the Watergate scandal.

As Woodward stressed, the discovery and revelation of the break-in induced further investigation of "Spiggy" Agnew and the investigation of illegal campaign funds. It also led to the questioning of the president's executive privilige.

Watergate has taken on greater dimensions than the break-in. It has also involved the cover-up and the general corruption of the Nixon administration.

Woodward and Bernstein's uncovering of Watergate won them and the Washington Post the Pulitzer Prize for journalism. They have also won other journalism awards.

At present the two reporters are writing a book about the scandal which is getting longer as the scandal becomes larger and more involved. "What was once the epilogue is now chapter two."

Indian Centre employee at UVic

By ELEANOR BOYLE

In an attempt to expand the facilities of B.C.'s Indian Education Resources Centre (IERC), Janet Poth Boston has recently been appointed to the staff of UVic, and will work through the Education Faculty as a research associate.

Boston is the only person on Vancouver Island working to increase the research potential and community service activities of the IERC, based at UBC.

A grant to the university from the provincial Native Indian Teachers' Association provided for Ms. Boston's appointment to UVic's Studies of Intercultural Education.

Ms. Boston's office in the MacLaurin building is beside the drop-in centre provided for the Native Students' Union. Said Boston, the centre is well-used by both Indian and non-Indian students. A library in the centre contains books and periodicals on the subject of the Canadian Indian.

She is also involved with local home-school coordinators, "native persons," she said, "who can iron out a lot of problems between high school students and teachers." A major problem here though, she added, is that teachers often have little respect for the coordinators because they have no university training, a well-known hang-up of white culture.

Boston's responsibilities also include counselling on educational opportunities, aiding in establishment of tutorial programs, posting notices of job opportunities and coordinating native students' visits to the university. She serves as a resource person for the university and the community.

"My real concern is with the students at the university level and with the high school students that will be here. To graduate from this institution," she said, "is just to show an understanding of white culture."

Books written for and by Canadian natives have recently been increasing in number, but most are on the subject of art and social conditions. "What we need," she said, "is alternate information on Canadian history."

Many text-books used in elementary and high schools across the country are prejudiced against and offensive to the Canadian Indian.

"We are now trying to create an alternative to the curriculum and deal with the implications of some of the texts," she stated.

Although B.C.'s department of education has deleted some offensive and negative sections in the books, it hasn't done nearly as much as is possible, she said.

For years now there have been alternate texts available but the education department has not found the original texts offensive.

Boston contributes regional information to the monthly Indian Education newsletter.

One upcoming article will encourage readers to establish day-care centres in their own

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Call My People Home, a play by Dorothy Livesay will be performed January 18 and 19 at the Victoria Art Gallery. Livesay is a well-known Canadian poet and UVic teacher of English literature.

Livesay play tomorrow

On January 18 and 19, Victoria's Gallery Players will perform "Call My People Home," a play by the well-known Canadian writer now teaching at UVic, Dorothy Livesay.

Livesay's work was first published in 1923; since then she has become one of the backbone figures of 20th Century Canadiana. She still writes a great deal and has recently published "A Winnipeg Childhood", a collection of prose centred on her early life on the prairies.

Livesay now teaches English 438 at UVic and with her students is tracing Canadian nationalism through the country's literary history.

She is annoyed by the popular myth that poetry is a magical end that one arrives at only through inspiration, and believes that poetry is but a form of writing following certain guidelines as does any other form. "Once you know how to use your materials you can write poetry," she states.

Her argument with Creative Writing departments of other universities has been that "most writing courses give no basics and do not study literary forms."

Livesay has taught English in Northern Rhodesia through UNESCO and has twice won the Canadian Governor General's medal for poetry.

The left-wing student activism of a few years ago in North America evoked her sympathy, since she was very active politically during the Depression. When she could find no teaching jobs she turned to social work in civic centres of political unrest. She worked in Paris, Toronto, Montreal and New Jersey, cities wracked with unemployment and demonstration against the police and the state.

As her political awareness grew she involved herself in left-wing and anti-war movements, at one time organizing demonstrations in Montreal.

Call My People Home is a moving dramatic poem about Canadian Japanese fishermen interned after Pearl Harbor, written as a radio play in 1950.

A superb cast has been assembled for the play's production, with Anthony Jenkins playing lead and other well-known theatre personalities taking part. Included are Pater Mannering, founding director of Bastion Theatre, and Helen Smith, past president of the Dominion Drama Festival. Music has been composed for the production by Austin Scott.

On the same program will be a play called One Spring Morning, also being presented by the Gallery Players.

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Local Initiatives' star falls

By ELEANOR BOYLE

The Local Initiatives Project program, implemented by the federal government three years ago, seems to be falling out of favor both with federal economists and provincial government officials.

Announced in the fall of 1973 was a large cut in the federal L.I.P. budget. Said a spokesman for Victoria's Canada Manpower, B.C.'s budget has been cut "about in half."

Now B.C.'s Minister of Human Resources Norman Levi has announced withdrawal of his department's cooperation with L.I.P. program development.

The provincial government is expected to review all grant applications from within its province after the applications have gone to the federal government. According to a provincial government spokesman, too little time is being given by the federal government for provincial adjudication of the individual projects. Then, Levi in a recent newsletter said, provincial recommendations go largely unheeded.

According to the Minister, "Of some 600 projects put before us, we assessed 284 as being consistent with Human Resources priority needs in the Province. Of these 284 provincially approved projects, only 142 have so far been approved by the federal government.

"It is simply not good enough for us to participate in a program to spend a great deal of time auditing the grant applications, and then find that we have eleventh-hour decision making by the federal government which has no relationship to the recommendations we have made."

In recent years there has been a great deal of noise made about abuse of LIP grants, but the Vancouver School Board has to take the prize for the king of the rip-off artists...nearly a million dollars.

The board had applied for $900,000.00 in Local Initiative Program grants to pay for teacher's aides.

They had previously received money to pay for 100 teacher's aides but this year they jumped that up to 300.

The board received a letter from the government stating this practice must be abandoned.

The board is going to appeal.

Canadian officers echo American line

In a political science lecture on Tuesday, Dec. 4, two Canadian officers who served on the International Commission for Control and Supervision spoke of Canadian involvement in South East Asia with special emphasis on South Vietnam.

Major Bancroft, the principal speaker, gave a 10 minute "schoolboy, thumbnail sketch" of Canadian involvement in SE Asis, the development of the war in Vietnam and Canada's support operations in Korea from 1950 to 1954, and at times he made minor digressions into statistics.

Since the majority of his time on the peace-keeping forces was spent in South Vietnam, Bancroft devoted a considerable portion of his talk to this area.

He emphasized the ludicrousness of the "peace" and said that the Provisional government of North Vietnam was composed of "90 per cent Viet Cong regular soldiers".

According to Bancroft, the residents of Vietnam have a choice of "an alien, totalitarian regime from the left (Hanoi) or a corrupt, totalitarian regime from the right (Saigon)".

He predicted that at the end of Vietnam's present rainy season, approximately the End of December, the Viet Cong would seek a final military solution. Adding that the political situation in the U.S. would prevent that country's intervention, he said he expects to see complete Communist control of the south in the near future.

Bancroft stated that the ICCS forces were totally inadequate a. (that the Polish and Hungarian m nbers of the commission were th e for reasons other than si..ple maintanance and supervision of the peace.

He said that though his views might sound suspiciously similar to those expressed by the American correspondents in Vietnam they were all formed from his personal experiences.

Buildings named for Archie Mckinnon and Arthur Saunders

Names have been bestowed upon the two buildings now presently being constructed on campus.

The university's new $2.5 million physical Education Athletic and Recreation centre is to be known as the Archie Mckinnon building and the $460,000 Physical Plant Services building will be named after Arthur J. Saunders.

The former should be completed this spring and the latter this fall.

Archie Mckinnon has been closely associated with the YMCA of Victoria for 60 years, mainly as physical education director. He has been coach of four Canadian Olympic teams including Berlin 1936.

Arthur Saunders was a consulting engineer until 1962, when he joined Victoria College as Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds. Later he was involved in the planning of the Gordon Head Campus.

In 1970 he was made Director of Campus planning. He retired in 1971.

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